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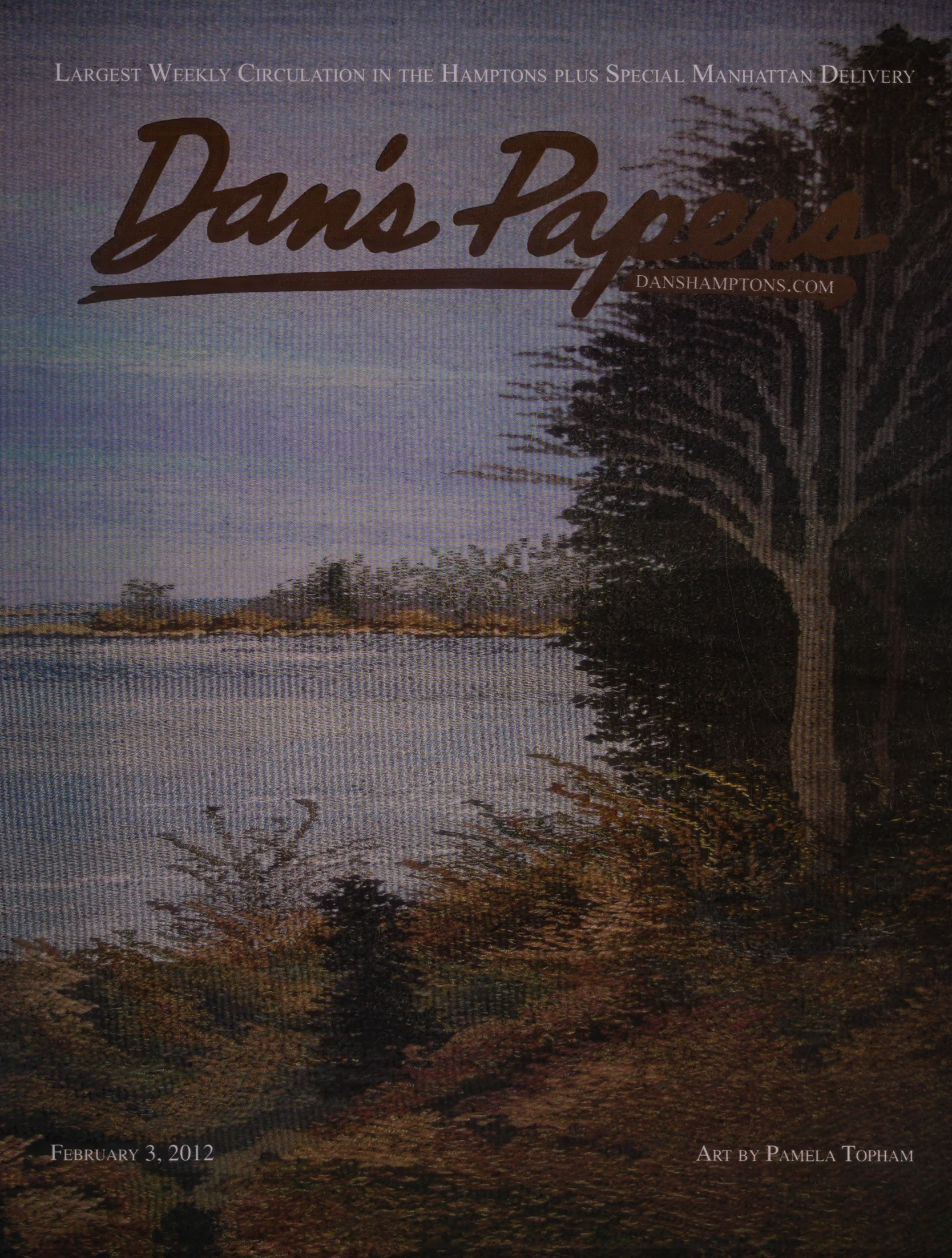

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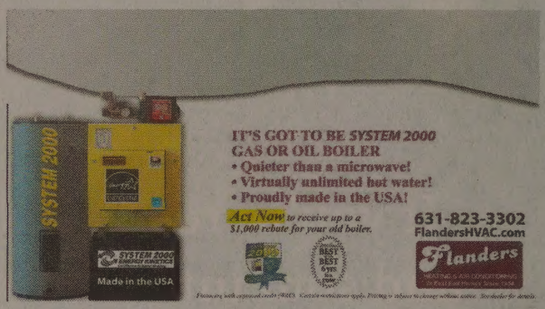

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Jackson Pollock

Dan's Papers talks to Jackson Pollock on his 100th Birthday

By Dan Rattiner

Jackson Pollock turned 100 years old last Saturday, and on that day this reporter went to his house and talked to him for this article in *Dan's Papers*. He's a little frail, but he's got all his marbles. Living alone in seclusion, as he has in The Springs since his terrible car accident in 1956 has done wonders for him.

He was, as you probably know, reported dead after the accident.

"Needless to say, the reports of my death are premature," he said wryly after pouring me a drink.

Pollock was born in Cody, Wyoming as Paul Jackson Pollock, and by the time he was 16 had moved with his older brother, mother and father nine times. He did spend four years at the Los Angeles Manual Arts High School, and while at school there became fascinated with paintings by Frederick John de St. Vrain Schwankovsky.

In 1930, when he was 28, he moved out of his family's home with his older brother and came to New York City to live in Greenwich Village. There he became a student at the Art Student's League. Much of his early works at the League were landscapes in the style of Albert Pinkham Ryder. Then, in 1933, in the bottom of the Depression, he began to paint in the Abstract Expressionist Style at his studio in New York City. While doing that and beginning to make his reputation, he also made a living wage as a painter through the auspices of the WPA, a government work project that hired many unemployed artists at that time. Pollock did numerous murals for public buildings. On the other hand, he was influenced by the abstract and surrealist work of Pablo Picasso, Joan Miro and Jose Clemente Orozco.

In 1943, in the midst of the rise of Abstract Expressionism and at a time when the WPA was closing down, Pollock was taken under the wing of the prominent Manhattan gallery owner Peggy Guggenheim. She thought he was brilliant but very volatile and erratic. You could not take him to any gallery openings for fear if he drank too much, he would become anti-social or perhaps even violent. He was a nasty drunk.

Pollock at 100

As a result of Guggenheim's interest in Pollock, she offered to rent him a home in the peaceful village of Springs for two years to get him into a more peaceful environment and perhaps to get him to calm down. In exchange, whatever he painted he would paint for Guggenheim. Pollock and his new bride–he'd just married Lee Krasner in 1945–then took up residence in a big old house on Springs-Fireplace Road with a wrap around porch and a big back lawn that led out to Accabonac Harbor. Pollock was to live in that house with Krasner until his "death" in 1956. Krasner lived there until her death in 1984.

It was during this time in the late 1940s and the early 1950s that Pollock did his greatest work. He'd get up at dawn, roll out a canvas on the back lawn with the harbor wetlands in the background, climb up a wooden ladder with his brushes and paints and sprinkle down the paint onto the canvas in great drips and splashes. This work was so stunningly alive that it was proclaimed by critics to be a work of genius. It brought him worldwide acclaim. He was featured in LIFE Magazine in 1949 above a caption that read "Is he the greatest living painter in the United States?"

During this time, perhaps because of Pollock, many other abstract expressionist painters began to move from Greenwich Village to the East End. They included Willem de Kooning, Franz Kline, Alfonso Ossorio and Fairfield Porter. Springs became the center of the art world for a period of time.

Pollock, however, did not thrive for long in this hot spotlight of celebrity. He drank constantly, was so mean to his wife she often did not want to be around him, and by 1952, seemed to have lost his artistic focus. He was now still making drip paintings, but they seemed without fire. He soon turned to painting on black canvas. That bombed too. In 1956, in an article in TIME Magazine, he was referred to as "Jack the Dripper."

The car crash in which he was thought to have died took place on August 11, 1956. Money had come in because of his celebrity. However, Pollock didn't change his lifestyle living here amidst the local clammers, known as Bonackers, whose company he enjoyed.

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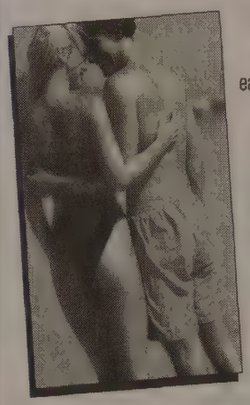

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South O' the Highway (and the North too)

"American Idol" judge, Water Mill's **Jennifer Lopez** reportedly pulled out of presenting responsibilities at The Golden Globes after learning that participation would prevent being invited to present at the Academy Awards. Meanwhile, Bridgehampton's **Madonna** will sing some of her biggest hits, including "Ray of Light" and "En Vogue" at halftime during the Super Bowl this Sunday. The performance follows this week's preview of her new single, "Give Me All Your Luvin'" on "American Idol."

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Southampton's **Edward Callaghan** will be featured in an upcoming documentary about famed jeweler to the stars **Harry Winston** and the **Oscars**. Callaghan, widely credited with the return to glamour on the red carpets of the Oscars, Golden Globes and other high profile events, speaks about his 15 years adorning celebrities with dazzling Winston jewels including **Madonna**, **Elizabeth Taylor**, **Halle Berry**, **Kim Basinger**, **Jennifer Lopez**, **Angelina Jolie**, **Julie Andrews**, **Rosie O'Donnell**, **Gwyneth Paltrow** and *Titanic* Oscar Nominee **Gloria Stuart** for whom he had the fabled jeweler create a $20 million necklace featuring an enormous blue diamond.

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Bridgehampton's **Isaac Mizrahi** announced on television that he and longtime boyfriend **Arnold Germer** were married quietly at New York's City Hall on November 30. "We got married!" he said, showing off an impressive rock set into a wide band.

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Sarah Jessica Parker can push print! Issues of *Elle*, *Vogue* and *Marie Claire* featuring the Amagansett resident on the cover were among the magazines' top sellers of 2011. Parker will play feminist leader **Gloria Steinem** in the upcoming film, *Lovelace*. Parker is replacing **Demi Moore**, who backed out of the role after being rushed to the hospital last week.

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Bridgehampton National Bank, a community banking institution, has reported a capital raise of $24 million and is positioned for continued growth.

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On Monday Southampton doctor **Juan Gargiulo** of AgeFocus performed two separate cases of Fat Transfer with Stem Cells. According to AgeFocus Executive Director **William Yule** this was the first time these cutting edge procedures were performed in the Hamptons. One surgery was for cosmetic enhancement purposes and the other for a torn rotating cup injury (the same procedure that saved the career of Yankees pitcher **Bartolo Colon**).

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Chef Keith Luce of Jamesport's Luce +

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Two Earths

If We Find There's a Second Earth Out There, What Do We Do?

By Dan Rattiner

If you think this economic downturn isn't so bad, consider this. This past April, the Allen Telescope Array at UC Berkley was shut down for lack of funds.

It was a great loss. There were 42 telescopes involved. Until last April, and for many years before that, these telescopes with radio antennas scanned the sky in search of any sort of incoming messages from aliens in outer space either trying to contact us or trying to reply to messages sent out by us hopefully to them.

There are literally thousands of transmitters around the world that today send out radio messages to aliens. In essence, every one of them, and they are in 62 foreign countries at last count—says "Hello, hello, are you out there, if you are please get in touch with us." And this is followed by a mathematical message, which would enable any smart alien to figure out where we were.

The first of these, on the northern coast of Puerto Rico, was put together by our Federal Government in 1974 largely to try to find the answer to the question posed in the 1950s by hysterical humans who said they had observed flying saucers and in some cases had been temporarily kidnapped by the people in them. The aliens were not only trying to contact us, they were already here. That center in Puerto Rico—near the city of Arecibo—was funded by the Federal Government and is still among the tens of thousands still sending stuff out there asking for a reply.

Also for a long time, the U. S. sent into space little coins, which are stamped with visual drawings and words of greeting to anyone and everyone. They used to go out in space probes. I think they still do. So far nobody has sent any reply back however.

It turns out retrieving a message sent back is a very big deal. For a long time, messages sent back could fall on deaf ears because we weren't monitoring where they might have come from. Space is a very big place. We

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EARTHQUAKES, CHOCOLATE, FISH and a SHIPWRECK

By Dan Rattiner

EARTHQUAKE MADNESS

Six seismologists (scientists who track earthquakes) and a government official are standing trial in Italy on charges of manslaughter for not warning the residents of the city of L'Aquina that an earthquake might take place there on April 6. In the event, which did hit on April 6, 2009, 300 people died and much of the downtown was reduced to rubble. Somebody has got to pay.

This comes under the heading of when-anything-goes-wrong-sue, or worse, get somebody off to jail.

L'Aquila is in an earthquake-prone area, much like the coast of California. And it's had its share. In the months leading up to this big earthquake, an activity known as an earthquake storm occurred underground in the area. These are a series of tiny shocks, not noticeable to the general public, that sometimes occur before an earthquake. The usual possibility for an earthquake on any given day in this area is 1 in 100,000. When a storm occurs, the risk reduces to 1 in 1,000. Such a storm, by the way, was taking place in central California at that time, but in that case no earthquake resulted.

Seismologists did notice the storm in L'Aquila however. They were thus aware a possible earthquake was thus 1 in 1,000. In other words, one might or might not come during the next two and a half years.

Trouble came when a local man predicted in March that an earthquake would take place. He based his prediction on the amount of radon gas he measured in the area. He named the date when the earthquake would come. The date passed without an earthquake. But the general public was frightened.

As a result of this, on March 30, a meeting in a government office in L'Aquila took place at which seismologists were asked if an earthquake was coming, and they gave the statistics I wrote about above. Based on that, the government spokesman said there was no earthquake imminent. But then it struck a week later.

Hang 'em.

CHOCOLATE GOOD FOR YOU

There is now further proof that chocolate is

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But he did get a three year old Oldsmobile convertible to drive around in, which was a really bad idea when he had too much to drink.

On that day, Lee Krasner was in Paris, touring Europe by herself. At the house in Springs, Pollock was entertaining two young women from New York City in their 20s named Edith Metzger and Ruth Kligman. Enamored of the famous Jackson Pollock, they were happy to accept his invitation to come out for the weekend. He met them at the East Hampton railroad station and took them home.

Late that afternoon, with Pollock rip roaring drunk, the girls urged him to sober up so they could all go to the party being thrown by Pollock's fellow artist friend Alfonso Ossorio. Pollock had told them about it. Ossorio had just come back from the Philippines, so this was a homecoming party. His mansion was surrounded by 55 acres of gardens on the shores of Georgica Pond. (This is currently the home of Ron Perelman.)

Pollock drank some more, said he had no intention of going, but the girls persisted and finally he said "okay, dammit, we'll go," and they cheered. Halfway down Springs Fireplace Road heading for town however, Pollock listened as the girls chattered back and forth and it just made him angrier. So he turned around and headed back home. "What are you doing?" one of the girls asked him. "We're going to a party!" So Pollock turned around and headed back toward Ossorio's. But once again he turned the car around and headed home, this time shouting at the girls as they shouted at him and with that, he deliberately picked up speed, and as they screamed in fear he crashed about a mile from the house on Springs Fireplace Road. The convertible slid off the road and into the trees on the side of the road there in a deadly crash. Edith Metzger in the back seat died. Ruth Kligman in the front seat was seriously injured and recovered in the hospital. As for Jackson Pollock, he was thrown from the car and landed unconscious face down in some weeds.

The early reports were that he had died in the car crash, but the fact was that he survived though in a coma at Southampton Hospital for nine days. When he awoke, it was found that there were slight tremors in his right hand for which no medicines had any effect. The tremors, which were only slightly noticeable when I visited him, nevertheless had an effect on his painting career.

"My hand won't do what I tell it to do," he said. "I couldn't do any more work. That was it."

Lee Krasner, to her credit, hearing about the accident, headed straight for home. Nothing remained of their relationship however, and she found him in the arms of a private nurse he had hired. She then stormed out of the house and said he had a week to get out. She stayed with her friend, the sculptor Rupert Goldstein until he did. He moved into the little four room wood shingled cottage where I found him on his birthday.

"That was a terrible year, 1956," he told me. "My wife leaves me. I'm the driver in a terrible car accident. The national media abandons me as their darling bad boy painter. And I wind up unable to paint—the only thing I had ever known to do since the age of 15."

"So what did you do?" I asked.

"Well you know about the trial," he said.

"The whole world knows about it. Do you want to talk about it?"

"No."

Paul Jackson Pollock was accused of manslaughter in the death of Edith Metzger. The other occupant of the car, who had by this time written a memoir about how much she loved Pollock and how he had promised to leave his wife for her, now testified against him. He was drunk as a skunk, she said. He drove 80 miles an hour. And he damn near got me and himself killed. And poor Edith Metzger.

Edith Metzger's parents were in the courtroom weeping. Pollock's defense was, early on, that the accelerator had gotten stuck. Later in the trial, he said he had been driven to drink by the cruel spotlight of the news media. They were the cause of this. He got ten to twenty years in prison. He served six, and was released from Leavenworth in Leavenworth, Kansas in 1962 because of good behavior.

"Nobody met me when I came out," he said sadly, pouring himself a second round (and spilling a little on the table.) "So I just went back to Springs. The hell with fame. The hell with painting. It's all a crock of crap anyway."

Of course, the local bonackers were delighted he was back. They held a party for him at his house. They had another party for him at Ashawagh Hall. They had still a third party for him at Jungle Pete's on Fort Pond Boulevard.

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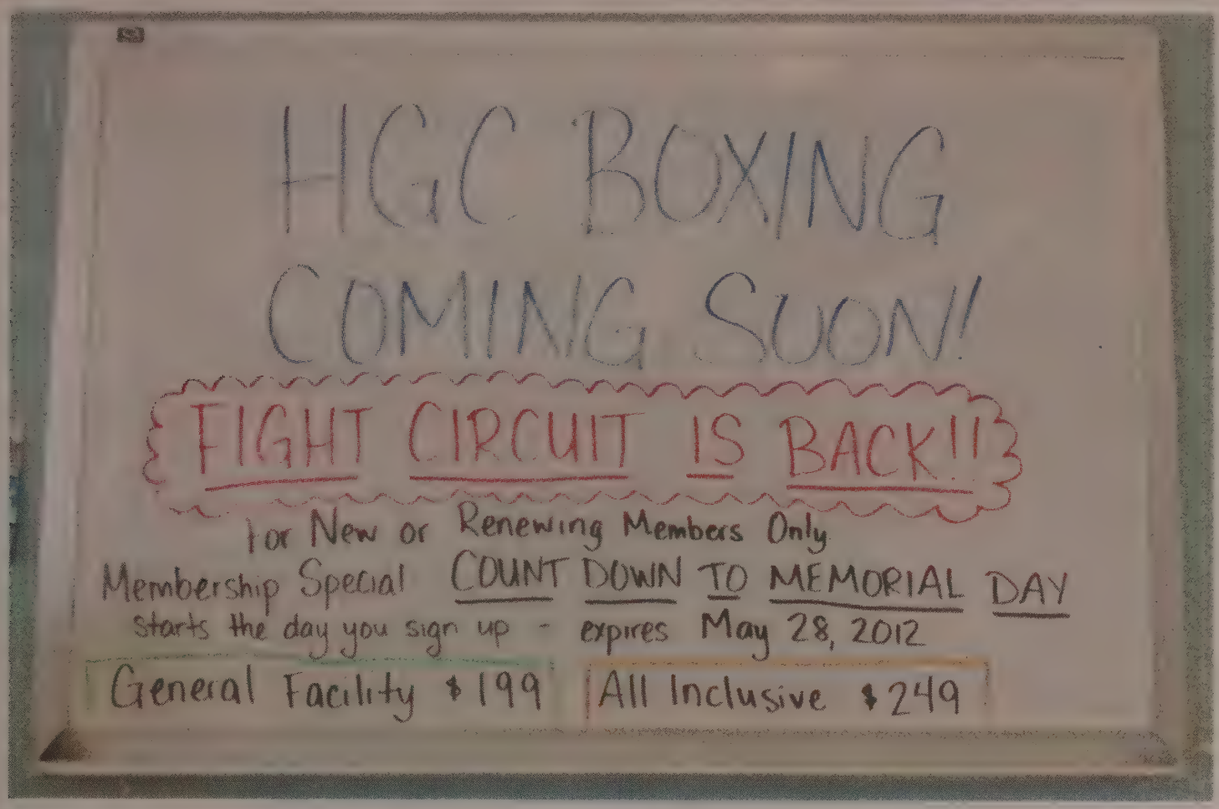

Boxing!

Fisticuffs, the Sweet Science, Coming to Southampton

By David Lion Rattiner

"There will be a real, legit boxing ring set up. There will also be mats set up for Jujitsu, mixed martial arts and pretty much any other martial art. There is also going to be a little gymnastics set up as well," Avery Crocker, the personal trainer for Fight Circuit at the Hampton Gym Corp. in Southampton, tells me.

Avery is well known in Southampton thanks to his bright red hair and his pure passion for using boxing and circuit training as the ideal form of exercise. "There really is nothing like it in terms of fitness. Everybody knows that boxers are among the elite in terms of both strength and stamina, so I'm a believer in it. It's also a lot of fun."

The Hampton Gym Corp., which operates gyms in East Hampton, Sag Harbor and Southampton, has for a long time had a large space in the Southampton Gym that was dedicated to nothing but an empty pool. It was never used very much because it was not really large enough for a significant number of people to do any swim training in. As such, the room was closed. The Southampton Gym, which is quite large without the pool, was doing just fine without it.

But this is going to change very soon.

The space is being renovated currently for a full-fledged boxing studio, with sparring, personal boxing lessons and other forms of martial arts workout classes to be held there.

The space is currently being painted, and just recently had the entire pool covered up to make way for what is surely to be something that does not exist on the East End.

I walked through the former pool and realized that it had been covered up with wood that was reinforced with beams, and workers were diligently painting the studio. "The pool is definitely going to be a thing of the past. Boxing is the future," Avery tells me.

But who is going to teach it? That's the real question on everybody's minds, even Avery himself. "There are a couple of boxing instructors out here. Myself, Jay Duncan from Sag Harbor and there are a few other guys that we are looking to get involved. Kristian Vasquez won't be doing it though unfortunately because he's focusing on his gym in Shirley."

While boxing seems to be the big draw to the new addition, it's not going to be just boxing, "They are going to make it useful for not just boxing, but that will be the main thing... There will be a lot of other activities going on here. Once the official ring gets here though, we're expecting that a lot of people will get interested."

And just the talk of a new boxing ring and studio is getting people excited, this writer included. However, it is not expected to be up and running until early spring. And if you are

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BIG CELEBRATION IN SAG HARBOR NEXT WEEK

By Stacy Dermont

Sag Harbor's annual summertime "HarborFest" was launched by writer John Steinbeck and his local cohorts over 50 years ago. It features whaleboat races and music and street sales every September. Sometimes they even have a beard-growing contest.

Last February, for the first time, Sag Harbor, celebrated "Harbor Frost." It was a blast and this year it's only getting bigger and better. On Saturday, February 11, beginning at noon, look for the return of village-wide restaurant specials ($20.12!), ice carving and fireworks. PLUS locals and "winter people" will be stripping down to their skivvies and jumping in the water next to Long Wharf at 3:30 p.m for "The Frosty Plunge." They will be raising money there at Windmill Beach to support the local ambulance corps. Local restaurant Phao will be giving participants hot soup and the Sag Harbor Gym is donating hot showers for plungers. *Dan's Papers* own Kelly Laffey and Denise Borschein will be there in the frigid waters getting their harbor frost on. Buy them a drink?

Speaking of John Steinbeck and that old windmill— ye olde windmill needs your help too. The Save the Windmill fundraiser is in progress to restore the windmill's blades and replace its floor. For all the details visit www.savesagharbor.org.

There will be more live music at HarborFrost this year, provided by local musicians throughout the village, plus the many shops will be featuring sales and discounts. Maybe

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couldn't monitor much of it at any one time, at least until the Allen Array was built. And so, even if a message were sent to us, it was most likely sent from a place we were not looking at and it would just pass right over us. But the Allen Array solved that. The Allen Array is able to monitor the entire visible universe all at once all the time to a distance of 100 light years. If any response came in, they would get it. (Beyond that, no. That would be too far.)

The Allen Array has founded a partnership with a private organization called SETI (Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence) and the Radio Astronomy Lab of UC Berkeley. So that's who ran out of money. After April, any aliens checking in would receive a message saying "This phone is out of service. There is no further information available. Please try your call again later."

In any case, those running the Allen Array embarked on a giant fundraising campaign. Last week they declared it successful and went back to manning the fort. It was true that if any message came in during these past seven months they would have gone unanswered. But now they would be getting them again. Although, so far, there weren't any sent. Just like there hadn't been any sent before the service went down. Well, it's just been a few days since they're back up.

Meanwhile, the Kepler Project, which looks after the Hubble and other telescopes scanning the skies in outer space, reported very exciting new information last month. They had not sighted any aliens, but they had discovered planets where aliens could live. One planet was one and a half times the size of ours, made out of stuff that could support oxygen and water and circling a sun not too far away. The only bad thing was that this sun was a 100 times the size of ours and so the temperature on the surface of this planet was about 2,000 degrees. But maybe the temperature was lower at a time when the sun was smaller.

Then just a week ago, they reported on two other planets in the universe, which are neighbors to one another, about our size, have a sun they circle, and are about 70 degrees. On the other hand, there is no evidence of oxygen or water. Just a few hundred billion planets to go.

Why are we so interested in finding life on other planets? Are we expecting to find them, then arrange a meeting, and get together with them to kiss and hug and otherwise celebrate? Is it just that we don't want to be alone in the universe?

I happen to be a skeptic in these matters. I think our natural tendency, if we found such aliens, would be to go to war to wipe them out, try to get rid of them before they get rid of us.

I think that although we certainly don't want them to come here to conquer, we will have no problem going there to conquer. (I hope they are not reading this.) It will be like the movie *Avatar*. We will go there to subjugate them and get them to dig up the valuable eronium or whatever it is and have them hand it over to us. Thus we will spare their lives. Or maybe not.

I also think that is very old school. An alternate scenario is that we want to learn about all these livable planets because, as they say in real estate, it's all about location, location and location. Remember the Superman model? Remember how when Superman was a boy he lived on Krypton and his parents loved him but bundled him into a rocket ship to come here because Krypton was coming apart at the seams—probably because of the pollution and nuclear wars going on there—and so they sent him off to earth to a better life.

Of course, that story was written in the 1930s by a comic book artist who did not know then what we know now about the danger the Earth is in.

What I really think is that there are smart folks out there who got our message but are holding their tongues because they don't want anything to do with us.

As for folks out there too stupid to not hold their tongues, they probably rushed to reply, but picked up the phone just as the Allen Array went down and all they got was that message to try to call again later.

Oh well. Life is like that sometimes

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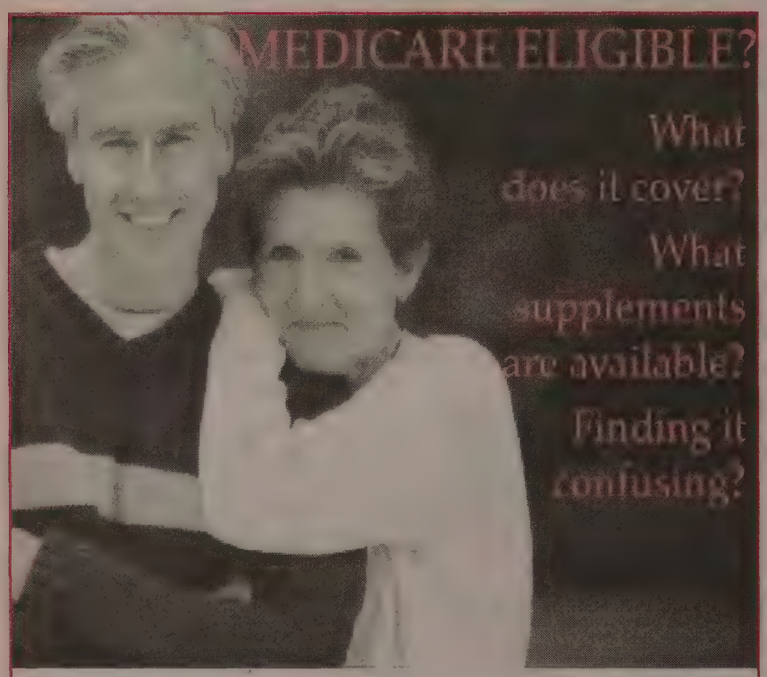
expecting to be able to waltz into the studio and start hitting people in the face with a pair of gloves on, then you aren't going to be at the right place. "We're not going to have random people showing up and knocking each others heads off. We're going to have a lot of supervision and a lot of instruction, it's going to be really first rate and professional. But I can also assure you that fists will be flying. I'm really looking forward to it," Avery says with a smile.



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Who's Here

Ramesh Das

Larry Penny
Environmentalist

By Kelly Laffey

Think 1960s. What first comes to mind? Probably hippies.

It's no secret that virtually every college student in America doubled as an avid environmentalist during the decade. Much more rare is to find someone who actually followed through with those ideals to affect tangible change in the way a community views its natural resources.

Enter Larry Penny, East Hampton Town's Natural Resources Director. Penny is widely credited with preserving some of the East End's more picturesque landscapes during his 28-year tenure. Yet, ironically, he categorizes himself as an undisciplined individual.

"I was always someone who didn't follow through," says Penny. "Probably because I didn't finish my dissertation (at UC Santa Barbara)."

With all due respect to Penny's opinion of himself, the above statement could not be farther from the truth.

A graduate of Mattituck High School, Penny received a degree in wildlife conservation from Cornell University before heading to San Francisco State College to study biology. Penny then entered the University of California, Santa Barbara and became a marine biologist.

However, Penny soon realized that his boundless spirit was better suited to being on the front lines of the environmental fight. He left UC Santa Barbara after completing all but his dissertation and, outraged by the 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill, devoted his energies to the environment full time.

Penny embarked on a variety of projects while in California, from editing *The Survival Times*, a paper dedicated to regional and national environmental issues, to successfully fighting the owner of Kahlúa, J. Berman, in his plans to develop Santa Barbara.

"My radical environmentalism started in California," said Penny. "But, growing up on the North Fork, I was always a nature freak."

Unfortunately, fighting for the environment was not a lucrative career suited to supporting him and his wife, and Penny eventually left Southern California for a teaching stint at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon, before returning to his Long Island roots as a professor at Southampton College.

"I became a wild environmentalist again," said Penny of his return to the East End. He became active in the Group for the South Fork, which later became the Group for the East End.

"I was always into preserving land, long before the two percent tax (Community Preservation Fund)," said Penny.

Penny was named the East Hampton Natural Resources Director in 1984, and his title was expanded to "Natural Resources Director and Environmental Protection Director" in 1985.

Penny was charged with curtailing what he referred to as the "Reign of Terror," a period in the early 1980s where big money ruled the Hamptons real estate scene with little regard to the potential impacts to the environment.

"I was given the job of stopping all the illegal stuff and helping to write new codes," said Penny. "I always tried to hold the line, and I did in a way."

Penny helped to preserve numerous parcels of land on Long Island—Barcelona Neck, Hither Hills Bay, Shadmoor State Park and the area around The Long Pond Greenbelt.

"I've always been an optimist—If I wasn't, I probably wouldn't have worked so hard."

Well aware of the toll that past actions have taken on the East End's natural resources, Penny has also fought to spread awareness of the dangers of certain practices. For example, he campaigned to revise the outdoor instruction curriculum at East Hampton High School when he realized that students were gardening in soil that contained lead and arsenic. In the 1930s and 40s, synthetic pesticides used by farmers contained the two poisons, and traces of the substances still exist in our soils. Though professional farmers know how to protect themselves, Penny was concerned that the students did not. After personally testing the soil, Penny wrote a letter to the school asking that the students stay away from the area, and that they check the air filters, since the soil can become airborne and the poisons could enter the high school.

Penny's views on the environment are a healthy mix of preservation and practicality. He believes that because humans have already interfered, more action is necessary to curtail the effects of past harms. People can help to preserve and beautify what we have left.

"It's hard to get rid of pesticides and herbicides and to still make a profit (when farming)," noted Penny. "But, we can always do better, and man can help the environment."

Penny is a big proponent of the movement to 'Think Globally, Act Locally.' The biggest threat to the East End right now?

"Summer people," quipped Penny.

But, in actuality, Penny believes that banning the use of harmful pesticides and building practices is a progressive venture. Comparing environmental awareness to smoking, he remarks how a decade ago, people were allowed to smoke virtually anywhere they wanted. Now, social views have shifted and the instances of smoking are much smaller.

"In general, we're heading in the right direction," said Penny. "I've always been an optimist—If I wasn't, I probably wouldn't have worked so hard."

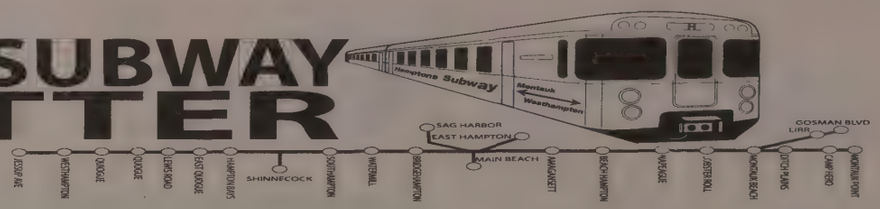
After almost three decades of public service, Penny has plans to retire after March 31 to devote more time to his family and personal life.

"I helped to save the environment, but my house is falling apart," remarked Penny. He plans to keep and refurbish his Noyac home and to travel to Santa Barbara to visit family.

He has made it clear, however, that he is not going to walk away from the environment. Penny has always fought to give nature a voice. And there's no telling what the land will say next.

THE HAMPTON SUBWAY NEWSLETTER

"Along with the New York Subway System, Hampton's Subway is the only underground transit system in the State of New York."



By Dan Rattiner

Week of February 3-9, 2012

Riders this week: 7,912
Rider miles this week: 88,811

DOWN IN THE TUBE

Jack Nicholson was seen aboard the subway between Bridgehampton and Water Mill last Wednesday. We don't know how far west he was going because our spotter was so awestruck and embarrassed just to be in this great man's presence that she got off at the Water Mill stop.

SUBWAY RACES

The motormen on our subway system, to break the boredom, last Monday set up a friendly contest for the middle of the night during the time the system is closed for maintenance. This particular middle of the night there would be no maintenance. There would be a race. The system closed at 2 am. Then, instead of all the subway cars being sent back to the Montauk yards for their nightly hosing, all six of them were parked, by prearrangement, at the following subway platforms—Hampton Bays, Southampton, Amagansett and Montauk stations At 2:15 a.m., the motormen hopped into their driving booths and waited for the starting gun, which would fire at 2:30 a.m.

The run around the subway system, as you know, makes something of an oval. The contest was, of course, to see which motorman could get around the system and return to his starting platform the fastest. Under normal conditions, this takes about three hours. We thought it might be done in two. Also, there was a fear that the front of a faster car could bump into a slower car just ahead, but with the stations selected 9 miles apart, we thought this would not happen, and in the event, it didn't.

And so it was that at 2:29 a.m., the motormen turned off the top-speed-governors that prevent the subways from going over 34 miles an hour, revved their engines to as fast as they could go —and then exactly on the dot of 2:30 a.m. to the cheers of the crowds of employees, raced out of their stations westbound with their flags flying and all their horns blowing. (Thanks to our upholstery department for making the flags.) We just wish Commissioner Aspinall could have seen this—he would have loved it—but he was down in Rio at this time.

The winner of the contest, who received a six pack of beer, a laurel wreath crown and four tickets to any Broadway show of their choosing (the employees made up a collection) except for that Mormon one, was "Wild" Bill Atkinson who zipped across the finish line in an astonishing 57 minutes and 14 seconds. Second was Marsha Lopez, who came home at 1:04:10, and third was Henry Battlesman, the former accountant at Hampton Subway who was convicted of embezzling and demoted to motorman. Congratulations to all.

And hats off to our new marketing director, Omar Goldberg, who made all this happen. What a great success!

DELAYS ON TUESDAY

Hampton Subway ran a limited number of trains on Tuesday. Usually six are on the circuit at any one time. On Tuesday there were just three, so the wait between trains had to be extended to 20 minutes rather than 10 due to maintenance problems. We regret any inconvenience.

COMMISSIONER ASPINALL'S MESSAGE

I have been meeting with Senor Alphonso de Giglio Aspermente, the CEO of the vast Rio de Janero subway system (its bigger than New York City's system) and he thanked me for all the suggestions I made during the last time I was down here. This was very gratifying. I should be back in Hampton Bays next week.

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THE SHELTERED ISLANDER

by Sally Flynn

How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Super Bowl

Here it comes, the one weekend I looked forward to every year I was married. Stupor Bowl weekend, especially Stupor Bowl Sunday. Here is it, truly the one chance a woman has to eliminate undesirables in her environment. While your man is totally engrossed in a mindless ballgame featuring millionaires in spandex, here's what you can accomplish...

First, make sure you pre-shop ahead of Super Bowl Sunday so you can quickly replace whatever you subtract. He won't notice anything that is missing from the closet, but he will notice empty spaces where his ratty stuff used to be, so fill those holes as you go.

Dig out every ragged "but I still like it" shirt and jeans, bag 'em, drag 'em to the burn barrel or get them tucked in a yellow town bag. Rout out the sneakers, whose only remaining resemblance to sneakers is knotted laces and slim pieces of fabric that connect all the holes. Keep the beer flowing and while he's yelling in the living room, get rid of everything he thinks he can still wear from high school.

Underwear. Why do men think that underwear can be worn from date of purchase till the wearer's natural death? Men have underwear that is 10 years old and more. Waistbands all stretched out, tiny tips of elastic gasping for air popping out all over. No fruit left in the loom at all except for the nuts that occasionally visit. It doesn't matter how big a man gets, if he can still squeeze into one of the old size 34 briefs he wore during his wrestling years in high school, that is his size forever. If he buys new underwear, it will be size 34, and you will see him use WD-40 on his rump and a shoehorn for the rest, to prove to you that his size 42 self can still fit in a 34. He will stretch and wring out the fruit of the loom so completely, he will smell like Sangria. It's up to the gals, or guys, in his life, to sneak new underwear into his life. Sometimes you just have to save people from themselves.

Papers. Find all the paper; bank statements from before 2000, credit card offers from previous years that he insists on keeping, "Don't throw anything out until I have time to look at it." The Super Bowl is your only chance for his distraction level to be high enough to get all this useless paper out of the house. Never mind recycling it—he might spot it on his next trip—bag it and drag it with all the wet garbage. I know it's against the rules, but live on the edge once in a while.

Just like the leg lamp in *A Christmas Story*, this is your opportunity to break any ugly cup or lamp that needs to leave. I was once able to dispose of a set of four cups with deer heads on them during the Super Bowl. I put new hefty mugs in their place, and he never noticed the switch.

They say honesty is important in a relationship. Don't you believe it. Stealth and a poker face will do more for your relationship than you know. I learned that from my husband who could tell me he attended a fly fishing show and only spent $75 on new equipment with a straight face and direct eye contact so perfect, he could have won an Oscar. I learned I could pursue the much over-rated truth, or simply estimate what he really spent and give myself permission to spend the same on my next shopping day, plus interest for him lying to me in the first place. It must have worked, because we never argued about money, or watching the Super Bowl.

Jane L. Hurlbert, 66

Jane L. Hurlbert lived in Islip Terrace, but she worked at Bellringer Communications in Southampton for many years. She was loved by all who knew her and known to many as "Lady Jane." She passed away suddenly on January 25. She will be missed terribly. Beloved mother of Arthur and Patti Hurlbert, David A. and Kelly Hurlbert and Gregory and Karen Hurlbert. Cherished grandmother of Grace, Joshua and Michael. Adored sister of Tony Franciotti and Marie Germano. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and close friends.

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Pollock (continued from page 14)

It was a grand old time.

"I told everybody to call me P.J. from now on. And they did. P.J. Pollock. Love it."

Pollock of course when he came out of jail had been sober for the six years he was incarcerated. He had one little drink and that was it at the parties. For the next 10 years, he made a modest living by clamming. He bought a wooden clammer boat, all the nets, waders and other gear and he clammed Three Mile Harbor rather than the more popular Accabonac Harbor, for clammers anyway.

"Why didn't you set up your clamming in Accabonac?" I asked.

"The dingbat was over there," he said. He meant Lee Krasner. Pollock also joined the Springs Presbyterian Church, and with the great, husky baritone voice that comes from too much booze, was a welcome addition to the choir. He also joined Alcoholics Anonymous, which met in Ashawagh Hall back then. Also by this time, everyone was calling him P.J.

"Didn't anybody from the art world or the media come out here to talk to you?" I asked.

"Me and my bonac friends held them off. Said I didn't live here no more. One time though, I tried to pass myself off as Jackson's nephew to *The New York Times*. I talked a bit about my uncle. They published it. Now I was P.J. for sure.

"Willem de Kooning passed away in 1997 just a few blocks away. How did you get along with him?"

"I never liked Willem. It was WILLIAM. He wouldn't acknowledge it. I think they all thought I was still in jail. I didn't want anything further to do with the art world, with him or anybody else."

"So you've been a clammer all your life?"

"Well, I did go into business for a couple of years in the 1980s. I made P.J.'s Beach Plum jelly which got to be very popular with the back to nature set around the country."

"I used to love that jelly. What became of it?"

"I had taken in some partners. Bankers and corporate takeover types who I had gotten to know, one of whom I had met at Alcoholics Anonymous, so I can't give you his name, dammit, which I'd sure like to do because of what he and his buddies did to me."

"What was that?"

"After the first year, we were bottling a million jars a year. It was a big deal. We had a jelly plant in Long Island City. But then they did a corporate takeover and forced me out. And after that they sold it for $100 million to Nabisco, which shut the jelly plant down. Apparently Nabisco couldn't make a go of it at that level. It was just peanuts to them."

"That was quite something for you to have gotten into business like that."

"It sure was. And I tried business a second time. This was real foolishness big time. It happened in my 20th year at Alcoholics Anonymous, which was the same year the Jelly plant closed. I decided that Alcoholics Anonymous should have a competitor. They had the monopoly in the rehab business. Surely there was room for a competitor. So I quit and started another one up."

"That was you?"

"Uncle P.J.'s Alcoholic Rehab Parties. No liquor. But music and dancing and at the beginning and end, lectures about staying sober."

"Well I remember that."

"So when that failed, I thought well, I've had it. I'm now 73 years old, which I was at the time and I thought that's it, I'll do what I want. So I came back to the basics. Took up the clamming again. And as you can see, I guess, I went back to drinking. Truth is if it kills me fine. If not, fine. It does ease the tremor in my hand. So I go to the bar at Wolfie's or up to Michael's and see all my pals."

"You enjoying yourself?"

"It's a good life. I have a girl stops in every evening and cooks for me. I've remained a hard drinker, though I've learned to control my anger. I also think I've become pickled, which is how I tell my buddies I've lived so long."

"And are you still clamming?"

"I finally gave it up last year. I was 99. It was time. This year I've gone out with others and sat in the boat while they clam. And something else..." he said. He stood up unsteadily and walked over to a small painting on the wall.

"I've taken up painting again," he said. "What do you think?"

It was a landscape, with the harbor in the background and the woods behind it. It was signed P.J. Pollock.

"It's beautiful," I said. "Are you going to take this to New York to a gallery?"

"I haven't been to New York since 1971," he said. "Have no intention of doing so in the future either. Care for another drink?"

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good for your health. The proof came as results in a Swedish study released last week. More than 33,000 Swedish women between the ages of 49 and 83 took part. None of them had any history of stroke. The study began in 1997. Half the women were chocolate lovers. Half were not. When the study ended six months ago, it was found that the women who ate chocolate had 20% fewer strokes than those who did not. The scientists believe that the presence of flavonoids, which have antioxidant properties are suppressing oxidation of low density lipoproteins (bad cholesterol). Other studies have shown that eating chocolate reduces blood pressure, lowers insulin resistance and helps reduce blood from forming into clots—which lead to strokes.

The dark chocolate is the best for this. And remember, everything in moderation.

FISH, FISH, EVERYWHERE

One of the most important activities the government is involved with here on eastern Long Island is counting the fish in the ocean. Government boats go out and, using sonar technology and laying nets to bring up fish, try to see which species of fish are in danger of extinction or are getting in short supply. The government then bans the catching of these sorts of fish for a time. This affects what our local fishermen can put on the table.

Now Senator John Kerry of Massachusetts is asking NOAA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to set aside $1 million to get a new sonar system that allows the fish stocks to be seen sharp and clear for miles and miles underwater rather than just as blurry blips that have to be looked into at a later time. If put into place, this would stop fishermen from accusing the government of not knowing what they are doing or screwing up the count. No fisherman wants the fish stocks to die out. But they don't want to be cheated either.

NOAA officials say the system has "potential" and could be "another tool in the toolbox." We shall see what we shall see.

A LITTLE CRUISE

As I am sure you know, the 1,000-foot long Costa Concordia capsized and sank in shallow waters of the Mediterranean Sea off the island of Giglio. The Captain, Francesco Schettino, had gone off his usual course to "buzz" the town up close and personal with his giant ship. He had many friends there. He was going to wave hello from the bridge. Unfortunately, in the shallow water, he hit a reef.

The most interesting part of this, to me anyway, was the fact that authorities fear the half million gallons of diesel fuel the ship took on just before the cruise began could leak out and make a huge oil spill in the area.

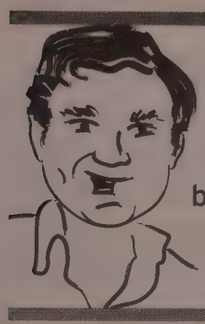
One half million gallons? And this is dirty diesel fuel, the kind that gives the greatest amount of pollution. One half million gallons? I saw some videos on YouTube taken of this ship the month before with people partying on board. Looked like a floating resort. Lots of water sports, shopping malls, discos, movie theatres, gambling halls, stage shows, restaurants etc. etc. How long would they have been at sea? Three weeks? A half million gallons? Why don't they just tie up and have it be a floating resort right in the dock?

LOST IN SPACE

An unmanned spacecraft, launched in November by the Russians and headed for a moon of Mars, failed to ignite one of its later stages, veered off course and, instead of heading for Mars, got stuck up in the outer atmosphere circling the earth. The Russians thus had to report that soon coming back to somewhere near you, surviving the journey back through the atmosphere, would be something about the size of an 18-wheeler tractor trailer truck carrying, among other things, a small Chinese orbital satellite that was supposed to be able to circle Mars and absorb data from the atmosphere.

The 18-wheeler came down last Sunday in the Pacific Ocean off the western coast of Ecuador in the Pacific Ocean.

These are the guys who now ferry us up to the space station when we feel the need to get up there.



TWENTY SOMETHING

by David Lion Rattiner

Holy Cow I'm Getting Old

Yesterday, the first *Mission Impossible* movie was on television, and I watched it with glee. I remember so vividly when that movie came out and how great the computer scene was. I also remember how cool I thought Tom Cruise in general was in this movie.

While watching the film though, I noticed one very interesting thing about it, Tom Cruise looks pretty damn young in this film.

It freaked me out a little bit because to me, Tom Cruise is much older than me. So I did a little research. *Mission Impossible*, the first one, came out in 1996. I was born in 1982. That means I was just 14 years old when it was in theaters. That freaked me out, because I really feel like *Mission Impossible* is a pretty modern movie. If you do some more math, in four years, *Mission Impossible* will be 20 years old. This just blows me away. I did some further math. Tom Cruise, when he first filmed *Mission Impossible*, was 34 years old. I'm 29 years old. In just five years, I'll be 34.

WTF?

I started to do even more math. The drinking age is 21. 2012 minus 21 equals 1991. PEOPLE BORN IN 1991 CAN LEGALLY DRINK?

Man I'm old.

I was trying to think about all of the things that I've done in the last 10 years and a lot of it seems to be a blur. I've done a lot of traveling. I went to Brazil, Colombia and Italy. I wrote a musical, four movie scripts and one television show, none of which went on to any significance. I lived in Montauk for a while, have had a variety of editorial roles for *Dan's Papers*. Sold some real estate, traded some stocks, didn't get married, still don't have any kids, paid off a car, sky dived, sailed a lot in the summer and worked. That's pretty much been my life. Where does it all go?

My 43-year-old friend offered this: "Brother, I have no idea where it goes, it just goes."

Am I having a crisis? Not really. To be honest, I really wasn't crazy about my early 20s. I felt like I was constantly frustrated, disrespected and always had this feeling like I needed to get advice from people who were older than me and who would "tell me what to do."

My advice? It is extremely important to take your own advice. This is something that I cannot stress enough. Nobody out there is ever going to really know your situation and your personal needs, because people only give advice based on what they think would be fun for them, the only problem is that the things that are fun for some people are not always fun for others. It is also extremely empowering to take your own advice and to make you own choices. It puts the ball in your court. The other reason you shouldn't take advice is because quite honestly, nobody knows what the hell they are doing.

So take my advice on this.

Breaking News

NEWT, MITT AND BARACK

By Dan Rattiner

Have you noticed this? Not one of the three main men running at this time for President has a normal first name. Indeed, they don't even have abnormal names. They have names that have been given to them that are completely unique.

Newt is a sort of worm or grub, I think. Something that a principal might send your kid home from school for if he found one in your kid's hair.

Mitt is something to catch or hold things with. It could be an oven mitt or a catcher's mitt or any other baseball player's mitt. Also, in winter, it's a nickname for mittens.

Barack I thought might mean something in an African language, so I tried a few translation programs online and all of them said there was no translation to English. Barack apparently is just some sound made by his mother or father at his birth there in Hawaii–or by a parrot at that moment. Anyway it stuck.

I cannot recall any time in our history that candidates running for President were named after a grub, a glove or who knows what? Maybe there's something to it. I don't know. We're going through these hard times. Maybe we just need somebody with a unique name like this since all the regular ones don't get us anywhere.

Maybe we could induce a few other people to join the fray. Beyonce. Demi. JLo. There needs

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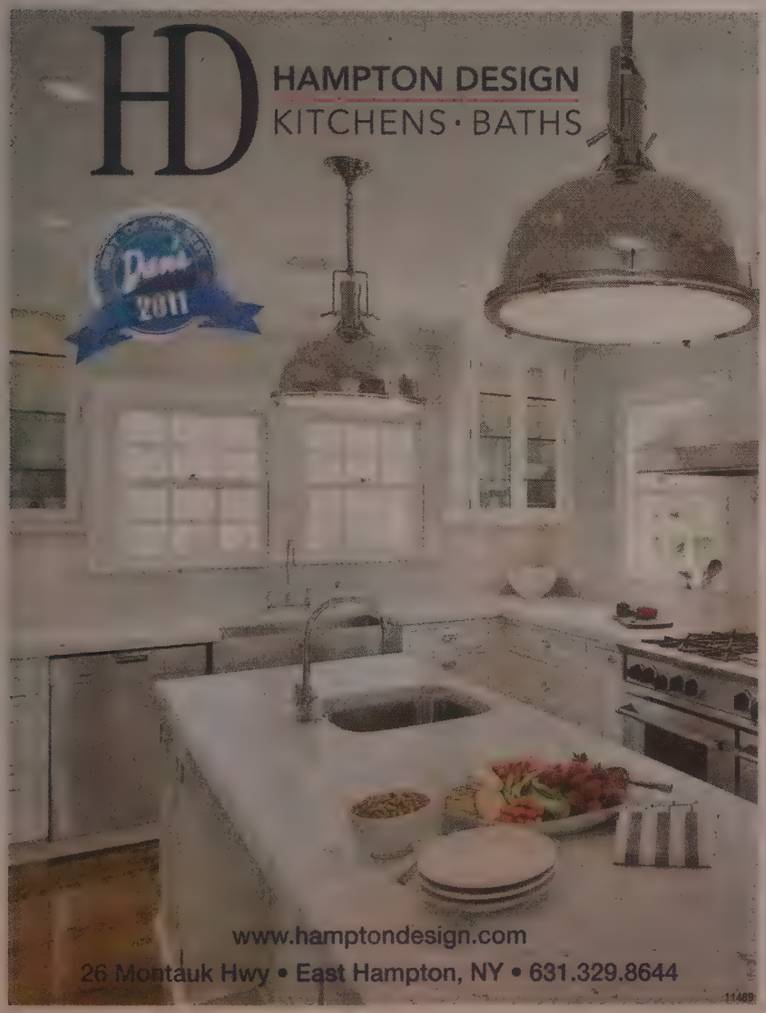

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Hawkins prepared a dinner of Long Island specialties at the **James Beard** House in New York last week.

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Town & Country Real Estate is pleased to announce that their agent **J.P. Foster** has been named to the East Hampton Planning Board. Foster grew up in Sag Harbor and has lived in East Hampton for the past 23 years. His family goes back many generations in both East Hampton and Southampton. Foster has worked for East Hampton Village for 22 years and has been in real estate for over 11 years.

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Is **Ferris Bueller** taking another day off? Fans are hoping for a sequel after a video clip featuring Amagansett's **Matthew Broderick** playing off one of his most famous roles hit the Internet last week—although sources say the clip was just to create buzz for a Super Bowl Honda commercial.

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Amagansett resident **Alec Baldwin** has been named ambassador for the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) Foundation, which promotes guild charity programs to the acting community and pursues donations from the general public.

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Hamptons regular **Barbara Walters** is reportedly battling **Oprah Winfrey** for rights to **Pippa Middleton's** first interview in the United States. The current asking price for an hour with the **Duchess of Cambridge's** little sister? Nearly $500,000.

Harborfrost (continued from page 15)

something for the little fuzzy one from Harbor Pets on Bay Street? Bond No. 9 perfume for your valentine, anyone? Bob Evjen at the Sag Harbor Chamber of Commerce promises "lots of surprises!"

It'll be no surprise to anyone to see me at the bar of Page 63. They have live music all year, love it.

The big news in the Harbor is that Chef Matthew Guiffrida has moved his popular Muse Restaurant over from Water Mill. The newest restaurant on Main Street will officially open in March, but Guiffrida has promised HarborFrost attendees a "taste" of what's to come at 16 Main Street.

Speaking of new, Salon Xavier, just a stone's throw from the wharf, is offering all kinds of special packages for "the new you." Bow–Dry/Mani/Pedi, anyone? How about a new body? Sag Harbor's Hamptons Gym Corps is also doling out bargain packages.

Maybe the most interesting new addition to the festivities will be the first every Story Slam, being held on Friday, February 10 at 8 p.m. at the Goat on a Boat Puppet Theatre (GOAB), on East Union Street. Yes, it's in a puppet theatre, but it's for grown-ups. Any grown-up can participate. Put your name in the hat and when it's your turn you tell a true story, not more than five minutes long. This event will be hosted by award-winning puppeteer and GOAB founder Liz Joyce. It's inspired by the famous story nights at The Moth in New York. The theme for the evening is "Winter in the Hamptons (take it or leave it)." All stories must be original, exaggerations and tall tales are allowed. There will even be drinks and popcorn. More info at www.goatonaboat.org.

I live in Sag Harbor—trust me, it's really great in the winter. Last year it rained during HarborFrost...NO ONE CARED! Whoo-hoo, join us!

For all the details on Sag Harbor's Harbor Frost visit www.sagharborchamber.com.

Breaking (continued from previous page)

to be a woman in this mix with a strange name. Paris? Well, how about Bing? Today half the population knows him as a search engine. But the other half knows him as a singer popular in the 1940s.

I think, other than the fact that he is deceased, or maybe because of it, Bing Crosby could give Newt and Mitt a real run for his money. After all, a human named after a search engine might possibly be the most intelligent candidate of them all.

Who I would really like to see join the Republican fray is Governor Chris Christie of New Jersey. His first name is not unique. And I know he's reluctant to run. But I do think we could tag him with a seriously odd name if he'd let us. Right, Chubby?

EVERYTHING OVER A MILLION

Sales Reported as of 1/27/2012

AMAGANSETT

Harriet & Robert Friedlander to Kenneth Hart, 113 Meeting House Lane, **2,800,000**

EAST HAMPTON

Eaton World Inc to Amanda & Martin Newson, 50 East Hollow Road, **4,500,000**

Estate of Madeleine Cremers to Moo Moo LLC, 81 Jericho Lane, **2,525,000**

EAST QUOGUE

C & C Shorelands Inc to Town of Southampton, Josiah Foster Path, **5,400,000**

MONTAUK

Cheryl Tiegs to Nejma & Peter Beard, 432 Old Montauk Highway, **3,000,000**

Courtney Kennebeck to Eliot Ferguson, 5 Hoover Court, **1,150,000**

Shady Acres Holding Company Inc to Nejma Beard, 434 Old Mtk Hwy, **1,000,000**

NORTH HAVEN

Leon Esker to 47 Haven LLC, 47 on The Bluffs, **3,400,000**

ORIENT

Arthur & Ruth Ventura to Lloyd & Randi Straus, 125 Soundview Rd, **1,583,334**

QUOGUE

Gilbert & Michelle McGarty to Gayle & Stuart Aaronson, 51 Old Main Rd, **1,300,000**

James C Hill to Alisa & Jason Fox, 85 Jessup Avenue, **1,100,000**

SAG HARBOR

Ottilie Kovacek Trust to Scott Swid, 4295 Noyac Road, **3,000,000**

SOUTHAMPTON

51 Wooley LLC to Wooley Realty LLC, 51 Wooley Street, **3,375,000**

Patricia Campo-Needham to Julie Kammerer, 97 Coopers Farm Rd Unit 1, **1,600,000**

Julie Kammerer to Lynn Syms, 155 Hill Street Apt 15, **1,500,000**

WATER MILL

Gotham Finishing Co Inc to Kleet Lumber Co Inc, 80 Flying Point Rd, **2,100,000**

WESTHAMPTON BEACH

William Maitland Inc to Mark A Meyer, 42 Reynolds Drive, **1,400,000**

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BIG DEAL OF THE WEEK

SAGAPONACK

Mariko B Zeitlin to Mark S Tinglof, 145 Sagaponack Main Street, **4,512,500**

★★★★★ Sales Of Not Quite A Million During This Period ★★★★★

EAST HAMPTON

Jose Ricardo Guichay to Ghada & Nihad Owaid, 149 Norfolk Drive, **975,000**

Josef Schreick to Stamatis Theodoropoulos, 5 Kent Place, **585,000**

FISHERS ISLAND

Caroline N McCall to Brian & Karen Debroff, 271 Gloaming Extension, **695,000**

HAMPTON BAYS

Billfish Enterprises Inc to Seacap Properties LLC, 288 East Mtk Hwy, **675,000**

SAG HARBOR

James L McManus to Barbara & Michael Tait, 25 Rector Street, **650,000**

SOUTHAMPTON

Matthew S Fasone to Wayne F Birdsall, 39 Sugar Loaf Road, **950,000**

Maria Polsinelli to Fabio Daino, 4 Cold Spring Court, **650,000**

Kristine Eglitis to Joseph & Stephen Fanning, 9 Dellaria Drive, **590,000**

Constance & Richard Essay to Jeremy Essay, 875 North Sea Rd, **562,500**

SOUTHAMPTON

Daniel & Rose Marie Mambrino to Elizabeth Mansfield, 72 W. Prospect St, **975,000**

Shelley B McCabe to Denise & Patrick Reilly, 17 Osborne Avenue, **650,000**

SOUTHOLD

Bruce & Harriet Woodruff to Andrew T LaGrega, 1505 Arshamomaque Ave, **960,000**

WADING RIVER

Birchwood at Wading River LLC to Regina & Robert McGee, 325 Maidstone Ln, **535,705**

WESTHAMPTON

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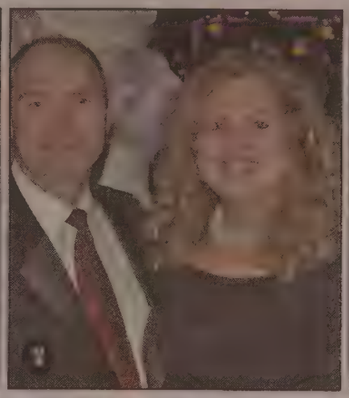
SNOWBALL "WINTER DOLDRUMS" BENEFIT

The 16th annual Westhampton Beach "Winter Doldrums Snowball" sponsored by Westhampton Alliance of Merchants benefited the East End Hospice and Village Business Improvements. It was held at Oceanbleu Bath & Tennis on Dune Road. Guests enjoyed tasty hors d'oeuvres and danced the night away to East End Entertainment and the Filthy Crickets.



1. Carmen & Warren Cohn, Cindy & Joseph D. Loney (Gen. Mgr./Bath & Tennis Hotel & Marina), Angela Clout, Hugh Mulligan 2. Doug Shearer (Emergency Mgr. National Grid) Jane F. Shearer (Assoc. Dean, Suffolk County Community College) 3. Silvia Viola, Debbie Doyle (East End Hospice) 4. Robert Marangio, Erin B. Finley, Maria Cable, Katherine Steinmuller, Joseph Pierro, Julianne Rowen 5. Felecia Wilson, Marjore Lamb 6. Holly Pirie, Donna Pirie 7. Megan Murphy, Joanne Kravitz

STUDENTS PERFORM @ JOHN DREW THEATER

The East Hampton Middle School Bonnettes Chorus and The Bridgehampton School 7th grade Marimba Ensemble along with many talented students performed at The John Drew Theater.

1. Madi Koral, Tyler Stephens, Nia Dawson, Kevin Feliciano, Ceciilia Calieca, Sarah Sanvhez, Ruth Appelhof, Ameer Brunson (Marimba Ensemble) 2. East Hampton Middle School Bonnettes 3. Leo Panish, Violinist

"BRUNCH FOR BITCHES" BENEFIT

Photos: Nancy Pollera

The Coast Grill in Southampton was the venue for the 2nd annual Last Chance Animal Rescues' "Brunch for Bitches" benefit honoring the Epley family. The event brought out a savvy crowd, featured a brunch buffet, mimosas, silent auction, raffles and live music by Satchelboogie.

1. Whitney Knowlton (Event Coordinator), Southampton Mayor Mark Epley, Tracy Collins (Event Coordinator) 2. Michelle & RaeAnn Spinner 3. Addie Mullany, Kim Armato 4. Jane Edelman, Daniel Pollera

NORTH FORK

Ye Olde Sylvester Manor

By Kelly Laffey

I'm going to go out on a limb and say that the majority of us East Enders have read, seen or at least heard of *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*. An international bestseller and recent box office bonanza, *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* catapults readers into the intriguing Swedish world of Hedeby Island – a place so cut off from the rest of the country that time seems to stand as frozen as the terrain. On its surface – minus, of course the horrendous breaches of law that occur throughout the story – Hedeby Island mimics a sort of quintessential small-town American community.

To compare Shelter Island to Hedeby Island is a bit of a rough analysis – but on a surface level it can work. The everyone-knows-everyone mentality. The quaint Main Street. The community parades and get-togethers. And nowhere in our East End haven is it easier to make this comparison than at historic Sylvester Manor.

Located in the heart of Shelter Island, Sylvester Manor is a 243-acre plantation that was set up in 1652 and originally encompassed the entire island. One of the few places in America that has remained in the same family since its founding, the manor has been remarkably preserved throughout its rich history. Driving up the narrow dirt road, the bright yellow manor evokes images of a quaint, pre-colonial estate, and the transportation back in time is complete when you catch glimpses of the original paint still on parts of the interior walls.

Used in a variety of capacities throughout its history – from slaveholding provisioning plantation to full-functioning farm to summer vacation home of Eben Norton Horsford, who invented baking powder – Sylvester Manor has recently come under the direction of the Sylvester Manor Educational Farm, Inc., a nonprofit which was established in 2010. Eben Ostby, who has worked with Pixar to create the character of Buzz Lightyear, is the owner of the property and chairman of the board. He is committed to bringing his family manor and its contributions into the public eye.

Charged with preserving the dichotomy between the old and the new, the foundation has made great strides in the past year to present Sylvester Manor as an important part of both the East End's history and future.

Today, Sylvester Manor is a full-functioning Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm in its fourth year of operation. Managed in part by Bennett Konesni, the 15th generation of his family to live on the property, the organic farm employs farmers from around the world who live and work on the property. Those on the manor hope that the locally grown food will help to ignite conversation about the importance and culture of Sylvester Manor.

To view a photo gallery of Sylvester Manor and the farm, check out *www.DansHamptons.com*.

North Fork Events

For more events happening this week, check out:
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Contact organizations, as some require ticket purchase or advanced registration.

UPCOMING

STEPHANIE WREMBEL PERFORMANCE – 2/11, 4:30 p.m. Stephanie Wrembel, of Woody Allen's *Midnight in Paris* will perform as a part of Winterfest. Bedell Cellars, 36225 Main Road, Cutchogue. 631-722-2220, www.liwinterfest.com. $15 includes a glass of wine.

NO DOUBT WORLD FAMOUS MONDAY NIGHT BAND – 2/12, 2 p.m. Second concert of its 66th consecutive season. Howard Hovey Auditorium, Pulaski Street School, 300 Pulaski Street, Riverhead. 727-6538. Free.

OPEN CALL FOR ARTISTS – East End Arts Gallery, 133 East Main Street, Riverhead, announces an open call for all artists to submit work inspired by music for 3/2 – 4/20 show. 631-727-0900, www.eastendarts.org.

THURSDAY, 2

KENT ANIMAL SHELTER SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM – During February, Kent Animal Shelter will spay female cats for $20. 2259 River Road, Calverton. 631-727-7797, www.KentAnimalShelter.com.

MAUREEN'S HAVEN RIBBON CUTTING – 1-3 p.m., Maureen's Haven, 28 Lincoln Street, RVD. Ribbon cutting to celebrate opening of day center. 727-6831, www.maureenshaven.com.

EAST END ARTS ANNUAL MEMBERS' ART SHOW: CHARACTERS – through 2/24, Suffolk County Community College's Riverhead campus, 1 Speonk-Riverhead Road, Riverhead. 631-369-2171, www.eastendarts.org. Free.

SHERWOOD HOUSE MUSIC – 4-8 p.m. Sherwood House Vineyard, 1291 Main Road, Jamesport. 779-2817. www.sherwoodhousevineyards.com. Free.

OPEN MIC NIGHT – 6-9 p.m., Peconic Bay Winery, 31320 Main Rd., Cutchogue. www.peconicbaywinery.com. 631-734-7361. Free.

FRIDAY, 3

FIRESIDE FRIDAYS – 4-7 p.m., Live music, specials. Sherwood House Vineyards, 1291 Main Rd. Jamesport. www.sherwoodhousevineyard.com, 631-779-2817.

PECONIC BAY LIVE MUSIC – 5:30-8:30 p.m., live music, Peconic Bay Winery, 31320 Main Rd, Cutchogue. www.peconicbaywinery.com, 631-734-7361. Free. www.peconicbaywinery.com, 631-734-7361. Free.

ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE RECEPTION – 6 p.m. East End Arts Carriage House, 133 East Main Street, Riverhead. A presentation by East End Arts' Artists-in-Residence. 631-727-0900, www.eastendarts.org. Free

SATURDAY, 4

INSTRUCTIONAL WINE CLASS – 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Diliberto Winery, 250 Manor Lane, Jamesport. Wine tastings and Neopolitan style pizza lunch. Reservations. Saturdays. 631-722-3416, www.dilibertowinery.com. $45.

LENZ BARREL TASTINGS WITH ERIC FRY – February 4,5,18,19, March 3,4,17,18. 38355 Main Rd., Peconic. 631-734-6010. www.lenzwine.com.

POETRY AT POQUATUCK – 7 p.m. Poquatuck Hall, 1160 Skipper's Lane, Orient. An annual celebration of poetry and art. Proceeds benefit Poquatuck Hall. Contact Linton Duell ocslid@aol.com. $10 at door.

SATURDAY EVENING STARGAZING – 7 p.m. – midnight. Custer Observatory, 1115 Main Bayview Road Southold. 631-765-2626. www.custerobservatory.org. Suggested $5 donation adults, $3 Kids, Free for members.

SUNDAY, 5

FREE TOUR SUNDAYS – 1-2 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Tasting House, 39750 County Rd. 48, Southold, 631-765-0200. Reservations Required.

SUNDAY DINNER WITH GRANDMA – 1-3 p.m. Diliberto Winery, 250 Manor Lane, Jamesport. Food demo and wine pairing. Every Sunday, excluding 2/19. 631-722-3416, www.dilibertowinery.com. $29, wine club half price.

LIVE MUSIC – 1-4 p.m., Martha Clara Vineyard, Take Three, 6025 Sound Ave., Riverhead. 631-298-0075, www.marthaclaravineyards.com. Free.

MONDAY, 6

FREE YOGA – 3-4:15 p.m. Mary Smith Recreation Center, Greenport. Free Hatha Yoga classes for beginners. Bring non-skid, body-length mat. 631-765-3005.

TUESDAY, 7

DRIVE-BY BIRDING – 8 a.m., North Fork Audubon Society's Tuesdays with Tom program. Meet at the Mattituck Shopping Center. 631-275-3202 to attend. Free.

WEDNESDAY, 8

GIRLS NIGHT OUT – every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m., Cooperage Inn, 2218 Sound Ave., Baiting Hollow. Reservations 631-727-8994. www.cooperageinn.com.

THURSDAY, 9

ANTHONY ROBBINS PEAK PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP – 5:30-7:30 p.m., Hotel Indigo, 1890 Route 25, Riverhead. Workshop will provide you with strategies, communication skills and physiology to attain outstanding success. Reservations recommended. 727-7600, www.riverheadchamber.com. $25.

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LifeStyle

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

with Maria Tennariello

Pretty in Pink Collection at Jill Lynn & Co.

The weather pattern continues to hold. With no snow in the forecast (yet), we can shop, shop, shop... for early Valentine's Day gifts. Let's do it!

Check out the **East End Hospice Thrift Shop**, 58 Old Riverhead Road, Westhampton Beach for great bargains for a great cause...with restock daily. There are special sales, with something for everyone on your Valentine's Day gift list or for any occasions. Proceeds benefit Camp Good Grief, a summer bereavement day camp for children. Shop open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. Call 631-288-3268 to donate or volunteer. Or stop in to the **ARF Thrift & Treasure Shop**, 17 Montauk Highway, Sagaponack for the 50% off costume jewelry sale. This is where you will find unique treasures that will make everyone on your gift list smile! Get going...this is a great sale...631-537-3682.

Just in time for Valentine's Day shopping, for the next three weeks at **Impulse For Men**, 85 Main Street, Westhampton Beach will be having a Renovation Sale! The entire store is priced from $29 to $79 and will re-open in early April with an entirely new look and design to kick off the Summer 2012 Season. 631- 288-5406. Stay tuned...

At **Jill Lynn & Co.,** 81 Jobs Lane, Southampton, it's time to select from their beautiful collection of handcrafted one-of-a-kind and simply elegant designs in jewelry for your sweet Valentine. The Close To My Heart collection is available in sterling silver or 14k yellow, white or rose gold. For dog lovers and from the Best Friend collection, Jill has created a special limited edition dog bone pendant with rubies pave, set in the shape of a heart. The brand new Pretty in Pink collection features soft hues of pink and lavender gemstones and freshwater pearls in sterling silver and is sure to delight your Valentine! The best part, enjoy a special Valentine discount off 5% off your purchase. 631-287-1001, www.jilllynnandco.com.

There is still time to shop for Valentine's Day gift giving at **Hildreth's Home Goods** on Main Street, Southampton and Montauk Highway, East Hampton. For your shopping pleasure, Hildreth's has reduced prices on everything in the store saving you from 20% to 70% off. This sale will last until February 15, so get going, the early bird always gets the worm...Yuck, and I hate that cliché!

I love the piano and if you are lucky to know how to play one...and want one...there is a piano sale offering huge discounts in progress at **The Piano Barn**, 675 Montauk Highway, Watermill. For information on sales, rentals, restoration, tune-ups and moves, call 631-726-4640.

Bridgehampton Commons' **McNamara Wines & Spirits** is all ready to go for Valentine's Day celebrations with their extensive inventory of fine wines and sprits. Stop in, you will always find exactly what you are looking for. 631-537-1230

SHOPPING ON THE NORTH FORK:

Thinking what to give your better half for Valentine's Day? Stop at the **Blue Sage Day Spa**, 140 Pike Street, Mattituck for a gift certificate for massage, skin care, body treatments, waxing and more. 631-298-4244 – www.bluesagedayspa.com

The Mattituck Florist, on the corner of Love Lane and Route 25, is on hand to help you choose the perfect gift or floral arrangement for your sweetheart. Choose from pottery, garden statuary, festive holiday décor, unique gifts and more. 631-298-5840, www.mattituckflorist.com.

Follow that yellow brick road and find **Love Lane Sweets**, 125 Love Lane, Mattituck for your Valentine goodies including Godiva, nostalgic candies, gourmet foods, toys, gifts, not to forget the lovely specialty baskets that are available for all occasions. The shop also ships. 631-298-2276, www.lovelanesweets.com

The Village Cheese Shop, also on Love Lane in Mattituck features goodies for all occasions. Stop in and enjoy the extensive menu of smoked salmon, wines, pates, desserts, coffees, sandwiches, raclette, fondue and of course cheese plates and a large selection of cheeses from around the globe...631-298-4244, www.thevillagecheeseshop.com.

Until next week, Ciao and Happy Valentine's Day Shopping!

If you have any questions or your shop is having sales, new inventory, re-opening, or you are a brand new business; my readers want to hear about it. E-mail me at: Shoptil@danspapers.com – I will be happy to get the word out!

Super Bowl Preview

By Kelly Laffey

Remember when Giants QB Eli Manning told reporters during the preseason that he was in the same class as three-time Super Bowl champion QB Tom Brady? Few people thought that he would have such a decisive opportunity to prove that claim, but here it is: In a rematch of arguably the greatest Super Bowl in recent memory, the 12-7 New York Giants will battle the 15-3 New England Patriots.

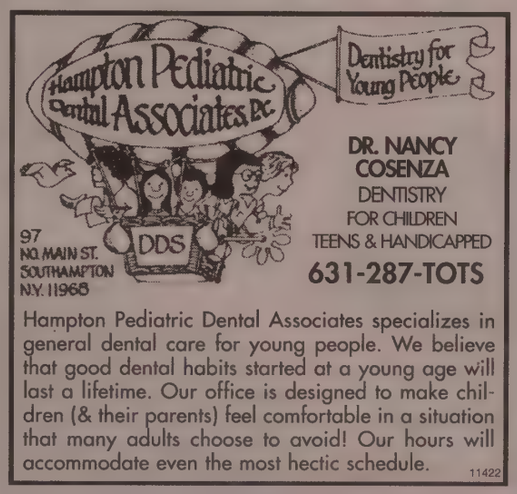
But, this time the Giants aren't an underrated afterthought, and the Patriots aren't looking to etch their name in NFL history with an undefeated record. They're just two fairly evenly-matched, white-hot teams looking for a Super Bowl championship, and no doubt they'll both bring the explosive style of play that has come to define their respective 2012 seasons to Sunday's game.

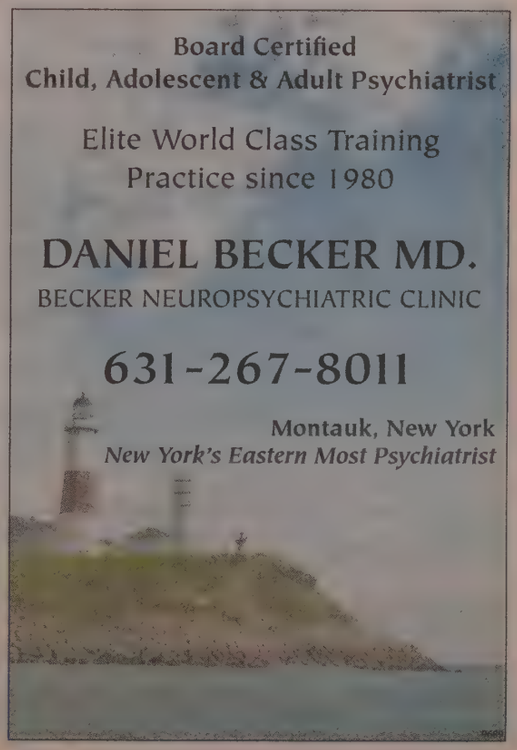
When the two teams played during Week 9, the Giants forced two interceptions and two fumbles to win 24-20. They come into this game knowing that they can rattle Tom Brady, and they'll need to channel that confidence if they hope to win this weekend. Manning and the Giants are battle-tested, and their entire team has come together as of late. But the defense, and the heralded pass rush, will have to contain the Patriots' high-octane offense.

New England's biggest weakness is their secondary, and the Giants should have multiple opportunities to advance their passing game. However, while the Patriots get a lot of grief for their 31st-ranked defense, they have consistently played berrer on the field than the stats show, and they have clamped down during the postseason. New England played more defensive fronts in the playoffs than they did earlier in the season, forcing New York to question what D they'll face.

Bottom line: If the Giants' defense plays lights out and limits Brady, they'll come back to New York with the Lombardi Trophy.

To read more of Kelly's predictions for the upcoming Super Bowl check out www.danshamptons.com.

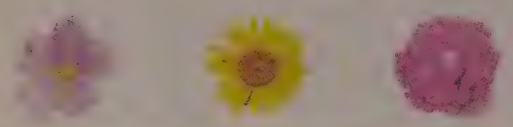




House & Home *guide*

THE VIEW FROM THE GARDEN

Jeanelle Myers



Like any plant nerd, I love to read plant and seed catalogues and have done so for years…even during the 30 years I lived in New York City in a loft in a neighborhood with NO soil (lots of dirt but no soil.) I learned a lot of things about gardening and what plants need to thrive from this reading. And since this is the time of year when we should be doing that reading, I will list some of my favorite catalogues.

For vegetable seeds, potato tubers, onion and leek plants, and garlic and shallot sets, I start with **Johnny's Selected Seeds** from Maine. It offers seeds for most anything one wants to grow in a vegetable garden with growing instructions for each type of plant that includes information on culture, starting the seeds, planting, harvesting, storage, insect control and more specific information on each variety with many other bits of information all throughout the catalogue. Seeds can be purchased in various quantities from a small amount to very large amounts. There are also small fruit plants and seeds for cover crops, herbs and flowers.

After selecting the basics from Johnny's, I fill in from other catalogues where I find the more unusual or less-used varieties. **Totally Tomatoes** from Wisconsin has a huge amount of tomatoes, an amazing assortment of peppers sweet to hot, and some very interesting cucumbers.

For us bean lovers, **The Vermont Bean Seed Company** offers a tempting selection but most importantly my two favorites: Jade bush beans and Fortex climbing as well as the seeds for all of those very beautiful dried beans like Jacob's Cattle, Vermont Appaloosa, Black Coco, Calypso and on and on.

Territorial Seed Company from Oregon is similar to Johnny's in the amount of plant seeds and information offered but the selection is different.

www.progressivepioneer.com

Time to plant your own garden

I love to look at the **R.H. Shumway** and **Jung** catalogues because of the old-type drawings illustrating the plants. Often I find an older or less used vegetable in one of these, like golden celery.

I was just given one of the most beautiful catalogues I have ever seen from **Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds**, based in Missouri. It is large and has great photos, many varieties and information on each variety and its history. I have not had a chance to actually read this one but am a little fearful as it is so tempting. Maybe it is a good thing that I do not have my home vegetable garden built yet!!

For plants, I like **Annie's Annuals** from California. There are some unusual annuals available here that I haven't seen in this area like white sage that is a beautiful plant and is, indeed, white, and used by my friend Jennifer to make tea.

Select Seeds has seeds (and some plants) of heirloom flowers. And while we have a vast selection of annuals and perennials available from plant stores and nurseries here, I still find things here and in other plant catalogues I do not find locally. This one has a good collection of poppies, cosmos and some great pinks (dianthus), one of my favorite flowers.

High Country Gardens from New Mexico specializes in plants for dry areas and since we should all be concerned with water conservation, I like to plant these types of plants. There are flowers, some trees and shrubs, ornamental grasses and grasses for lawns. When looking for plants for my own garden, I go to this one as I have sandy soil and many plants in this catalogue are appropriate for these conditions.

For hard goods …tools, etc…I go to **A. M. Leonard**, if I cannot find the item locally. I use a lot of bamboo poles of several lengths in gardens and get them here. They have a huge selection of tools and supplies.

I hope you have your favorite catalogues by your reading chair and a list started. Those seed packets arriving in the mail are thrilling!!

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EAST END NEST

Tamara Matthews-Stephenson

I took a long look at the list of items in my home in need of careful attention. For quite some time, I have accrued a small army of pieces requiring a little tweaking, from loose doorknobs on a dresser drawer to a broken globe on a pair of lamps. Over the years and in my travels to antique shows, flea markets and yard sales, I am often inspired by the provenance, shape or color of a piece, and then impulsively scoop it up for a song. I understand that most of these wares are in dire need of a makeover, but I feel up to the challenge. This has become a cycle in my life, and I have now accrued quite a motley collection of lamps, end tables, desks and other items. As a result, many pieces of furniture are collecting dust huddled in the corner of my basement. I optimistically purchase them with the good intentions of refinishing, but because of our busy lives and maybe a touch of procrastination, I have not tackled these projects. With the New Year celebrations still ringing in my ears, I decided to muster up the energy and make over some furniture. It appears my 2012 New Year Resolution is realized.

I first turned my attention to a relatively small project, a dressing table with attached mirror I found a few years back at the Lauren Copen antique store in Bridgehampton. It was tucked in a corner of the interesting shop, and what immediately drew me over was the attached tri-fold mirror with architectural detailing reminiscent of another era. The urn with swags of greenery carved into the wood above the mirror suggested a simple refined elegance, with neo-classical touches. I liked how the rest of the table has straight lines and isn't overly detailed. Although the table has a small crack in the top and the off-white paint was peeling incessantly around the edges, I did not hesitate to buy it. Dressing tables are useful, especially in small spaces. I often suggest my clients use them in guest rooms and other bedrooms because they provide an area to keep cosmetics and jewelry out of sight.

Gabriella Stephenson

Refurbishing a great piece

I decided to refurbish the table and give it a fresh look. After a quick sanding, I took a run to the paint store. The company European Fine Paints puts out a superb collection of paints, and in a multitude of interesting colors. The Holland Satin or Eurolux Gloss are my two favorite paint choices, and I am impressed with their 3,000 color selections. As I looked over the paint chart, I was instantly drawn to a mossy, yet mint green color with an encouraging and stylish name, "Vreeland Green." The fresh green was a bold choice, but I was convinced that it would inject a modern feeling to the table and the bedroom. This unexpected color would give it the dramatic makeover it needs. What I liked about this particular paint is the thick consistency, and because of its stellar quality if applied carefully, only one single coat of paint would be necessary. The glossy finish would add a lustrous shine to the cracking and dull veneer.

We taped the mirror and lightly sanded the legs and top to give the paint the chance to adhere, and I was in awe at how quickly this tired dressing table became illuminated. The unlikely juxtaposition of a mint green table set against the bold blue colored walls adds freshness to the space. We decide to paint the pair of Chippendale-style chairs flanking the table, as well as a small tufted upholstered bench in the same color.

In a few short hours on a quiet Saturday, my husband and I transformed the corner of this bedroom in a dramatic manner. I am encouraged at how quickly this task was to complete, and after making a note of items that need my attention, I happily checked this first project off the lengthy list. I now realize the pesky enemy of procrastination is far less threatening when taken on with vigor. With these encouraging thoughts in my head, I approach the year 2012 with optimism.

Kid's Calendar

For more events happening this week, check out:
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***AMG**-Amagansett; **BH**-Bridgehampton; **EH**-East Hampton; **HB**-Hampton Bays; **MV**-Manorville; **MTK**-Montauk; **Q**-Quogue; **RVHD**-Riverhead; **SGH**-Sag Harbor; **SGK**-Sagaponack; **SH**-Southampton; **WM**-Water Mill; **WH**-Westhampton; **WHB**-West Hampton Beach **WS**-Wainscott*

UPCOMING

VALENTINE'S DAY CARD WORKSHOP – 2/11, 10-11 a.m. Ages 6-9. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, EH. 631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org. $5/$3 Members.

SAG HARBOR'S HARBORFROST – 2/11, noon - 6 p.m. www.sagharborchamber.com.

SNOW TUBING TRIP TO BLUE MOUNTAIN RESORT – 2/21, Bus departs Red Creek Park at 12:30 p.m. and returns at 1:00 a.m. Sponsored by the Town of Southampton Youth Bureau. For youths 12 years and older, younger children welcome with an adult. 631-702-2425. www.southamptontownny.gov/youthbureau. $55 includes transportation and ticket.

VACATION ART WEEK– 2/20 -- 2/24, 10 a.m. -- 12 p.m. Every day a different project! Ages 6-9. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, EH. 631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org.631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org, $20/$16 Members per day.

KIDS SCHOOL VACATION THEATRE CAMP – 2/20 – 2/24. Also 4/9 – 4-13. Bay Street Theatre, 1 Bay Street, SGH. Each week-long session includes classes and games incorporating every aspect of theatre. Students will write and perform in their own original production. Recommended for ages 8-12. 631-725-9500, www.baystreet.org. $375.

3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT– 3/2, 6-10:30 p.m., SYS, 1370A Majors Path, SH. Open to students in 6th – 12th grades. 631-702-2425, www.sysinc.org. $15 Pre-register by 2/24, $30 at door.

THE RAINBOW FISH– 3/24, 3 p.m. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, WHB. Musical adaptation of the classic tale. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org. $15 - $25.

THURSDAY, 2

GOAT ON A BOAT PLAYGROUP – 9:30 a.m.; 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

BIDEAWEE'S 4TH ANNUAL LOVE YOUR PET ART CONTEST AND EXPO – Students in grades K-8 can submit their artwork to the Adoption Center at Bideawee, 118 Old Country Road, WH, through 2/5. Must include Bideawee Art Expo submission form available for download at www.bideawee.org. 516-785-4687.

FRIDAY, 3

GOAT ON A BOAT PLAYGROUP – 9:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

GOAT ON A BOAT TOT ART – 10:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

SATURDAY, 4

KING MIDAS – 11 a.m. – noon, also 3-4 p.m. Goat on a Boat Puppet Theatre, 4 E. Union St., SGH. A greedy king learns lessons of love in this musical production. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

STUDENT ART FESTIVAL PART 1 – Show runs through 2/26. Grades K-8. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, EH. 631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org.631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org, Free.

HIGH SCHOOL EXHIBITION – Show runs through 2/26. Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane, SH. 631-283-2118, www.parrishart.org.

DO-IT-YOURSELF – Every weekend in February, Saturday 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday noon – 5 p.m. Guild Hall, 158 Main Street, EH. DIY Crafts for Kids Ages 6-9. We provide the supplies, you create the art. 631-324-0806, www.guildhall.org. Free

TRADITIONAL NEW ENGLAND BARN DANCE – 2/4, 8 p.m. Water Mill Community House, Montauk Hwy. WM. Sponsored by the Long Island Traditional Music Association. 631-725-3103, www.LITMA.org. $14 Adults, $7 Students, Children up to 16 free with adult.

MONDAY, 6

GOAT ON A BOAT PLAYGROUP – 9:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

THURSDAY, 9

MUSIC TOGETHER BY THE DUNES - The Joy of Family Music. Join us in this popular Early Childhood Music and Movement program for children, newborn through age 5 and their parents or caregivers. Singing, dancing, rhythmic chants, instrument play and movement are explored in a fun, educational environment. Songbook, CD's, newsletters and parent guide w/D.V.D. are included with tuition. Monday and Tuesday mornings at the Dance Center of the Hamptons in Westhampton Beach, Monday afternoon at Kidnastics in Center Moriches, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at the East Hampton First United Methodist Church, Thursday mornings at the Southampton Cultural Center, Friday mornings at SYS Recreation Center on Majors Path in Southampton and the Children's Museum in Bridgehampton, Sunday morning. Ask about a free demonstration class. 631-764-4180, www.mtbythedunes.com.

GOAT ON A BOAT PLAYGROUP – 9:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org. Also Friday.

FRIDAY, 10

SHARK DIVE - 11 a.m., ages 12 and up (12-17 must be accompanied by a parent). Long Island Aquarium and Exhibition Center, 431 East Main St., RVHD. The Aquarium puts you into a cage in the middle of more than 10 circling sharks! No diving certification necessary. 631-208-9200, www.longislandaquarium.com. $155/nonmembers, $140/members (includes aquarium admission). Daily.

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Food & Dining

SIMPLE ART OF COOKING

by Silvia Lehrer

My friend Herb Paer of Tenafly, New Jersey, has been a football season ticket holder since 1968 and has attended 15 Super Bowl Sunday games over the years. Herb is certainly not alone in his passion for football and, as a Giants fan, he looks forward with great anticipation to Sunday's game. He found when attending a Super Bowl, "It's easy to get tickets but harder to get a hotel room." Somehow Herb always made sure he did. Most of us who watch the game on television will miss one of the most colorful aspects of the game, according to Herb. That is the fabulous pre-game show. Oh well, the rest us will have to make do with half-time.

Super Bowl Sunday is as much about the game as it is about hanging out with friends and eating fun food. Fun food could be anything that doesn't require elaborate, last minute preparation.

Get comfy around the sofa and floor cushions and keep the service informal with buffet style entertaining; that is foods that can be served at room temperature. Chips and dips and nachos and cheese can always fit the bill for openers. Then make a big play of your own with tangy lemon mustard chicken wings and arugula salad with roasted sweet peppers. A winter fruit salad bowl with diced ripe pears, crisp apples, seedless grapes and orange segments deliciously dressed with a citrus flavored crème fraiche, golden raisins and chopped walnuts to tame and refresh the taste buds will bring in your own touchdown.

Let these culinary inspirations put you in the mood for count-down time.

LEMON MUSTARD CHICKEN WINGS

A super snack to feed your football buddies on Super Sunday

Serves 8 to 10

20 chicken wings
1 bunch scallions, trimmed and thinly sliced, use white and green parts
2 tablespoons grainy Dijon mustard
2 tablespoons lemon juice
Kosher salt
Freshly ground pepper
4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1/2 cup dry toasted bread crumbs
Scallion flowers for garnish (optional)

1. Cut off chicken wing tips and discard, then halve the wings at the joint. This will yield 32 pieces. Trim off and discard excess fat from the wings. (You can remove as much of the skin as you like.) Wash the chicken well and drain on paper towels. Whenever you work with fresh chicken be sure to wash cutting surface and your hands very well. Set aside.

2. In a mixing bowl, combine scallions, mustard, lemon juice, salt and pepper to taste and stir to mix. Gradually whisk in the oil in a slow steady stream until thoroughly blended. Put the chicken wings in the marinade and spoon over the juices to coat. Cover and marinate in refrigerator for several hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

3. Spread toasted bread crumbs on a cookie sheet and coat the wings with the crumbs. Transfer to a shallow, lightly greased baking pan in one layer and bake in preheated oven for 30 minutes, turning once after 20 minutes. Serve warm or at room temperature with raw fennel sticks and garnished with scallion flowers if desired.

Scallion flowers

1. Trim 2 to 3 bunches of scallions by removing any soft outer leaves. Hold root end in one hand, and with a sharp paring knife facing upwards, insert knife into the white base of the scallion just above the root. And cut through the green top. Give the scallion a half turn and repeat procedure so that you have four slits from the root end. Repeat with remaining scallions.

2. Fill a mixing bowl with cold water and ice cubes. Drop scallions into the ice water as you prepare them. In a little while the leaves will curl up and flower. They can be prepared up to one day ahead and refrigerated in the ice water. Drain and pat dry before using.

ARUGULA SALAD WITH ROASTED PEPPERS AND ROASTED PEPPER VINAIGRETTE

Serves 8 to 10

For the salad
2 large bunches fresh arugula
2 to 3 bunches scallions, trimmed, rinsed and thinly sliced
2 commercially prepared red bell peppers, cut into strips

For the vinaigrette
1 to 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
1 tablespoon lemon juice
3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 commercially prepared red bell pepper, finely chopped

1. Trim and discard roots of arugula leaves, Rinse well and spin dry in a salad spinner. Wrap in paper towels to absorb excess moisture and refrigerate until ready to use.

2. For the vinaigrette, place the garlic, salt, pepper, Dijon mustard and lemon juice in a mixing bowl. Add the oil gradually in a slow steady stream until mixture is homogeneous. Add the finely chopped pepper and stir to mix. Can be prepared ahead.

3. When ready to serve bring arugula to room temperature, if refrigerated, toss with scallions and divide equally on salad plates. Ring the greens with red pepper strips and drizzle extra dressing over the top. Toss and serve.

WINTER FRUIT SALAD

The fruits of winter can indeed make an appealing dessert

Serves 8 to 10

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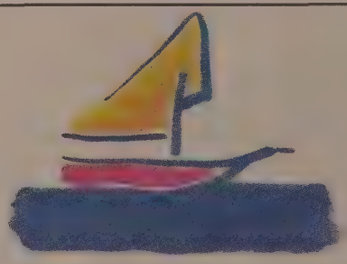

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SIDE DISH
by Aji Jones

Townline BBQ in Sagaponack offers Superbowl specials on Sunday, February 5. At-home revelers who order one day in advance can enjoy a "Bag O' Wings" with 50 Buffalo wings ($38); "The Big Man Football Package" of chili nachos, Buffalo wings, riblettes, fried mac and cheese bites, and pulled pork, chicken or burnt end sliders ($96 serves six; "The Wo-Man Package" includes half portions and serves three for $48); or "Pig Pickins" of whole smoked bone-in pork shoulder with cracklins, potato buns, coleslaw, B&B pickles and barbecue sauce ($92 serves 10). In-house drink specials and bar snacks will also be offered. 631-537-2271

Blackwells Restaurant in Wading River offers a special $39.95 prix fixe menu on Valentine's Day, Tuesday, February 14. Available from 4 to 9 p.m., the menu features roasted red pepper and potato bisque; roasted Long Island duck with wild rice and raspberry demi glace and chocolate covered strawberries. The regular steakhouse menu will also be offered. Reservations are required. 631-929-1800

Harbor Grill in East Hampton serves a very special three-course "Lovers" prix fixe menu from Friday, February 10 through Tuesday, February 14. Cost of the special menu, including two glasses of champagne, is $45 per person. The "Lovers" menu includes baby spinach salad with mushrooms, hard boiled eggs, tomato and warm bacon dressing; steamed one and one-half pound lobster with jasmine rice, steamed broccoli and drawn butter; and a dessert sampler for two. On Valentine's Day, there will be live music and dancing. 631-604-5290

Jamesport Manor Inn in Jamesport hosts a Valentine's Day dinner on Tuesday, February 14. The evening features a three-course prix fixe dinner and complimentary champagne toast for $60 per person. Menu offerings may include seared Peconic Bay scallops with truffled celery root puree and melted leeks; petite filet mignon with foie gras, spinach puree, baby carrots and wild mushroom bordelaise; and red velvet cupcakes with vanilla cream cheese. 631-722-0500

Dark Horse Restaurant in Riverhead presents a three-course "Early Bird" prix fixe menu Sunday through Thursday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for $19.95, plus tax and gratuity. Menu selections may include cream of local asparagus soup; short ribs with house made pickled onion, smashed potato and vegetables; and toasted sugar flan. 631-208-0072

Rowdy Hall in East Hampton announces new lunch and dinner menu items. Lunch features potato and French bean salad with Yukon gold potatoes, roasted pepper and French beans with roasted shallot vinaigrette ($11); and roasted turkey baguette with Camembert cheese on a buttered

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Segments from 2 navel oranges
3 to 4 ripe pears, preferably Comice or Bartlett
2 Golden Delicious apples, cored and diced
2 to 3 bananas, sliced
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 1/2 cups seedless grapes

For the dressing
1/2 cup crème fraiche or sour cream
3 tablespoons undiluted frozen orange juice
2 teaspoons lemon juice
1/3 cup golden raisins
1/4 cup chopped walnuts

1. With a sharp paring knife peel the oranges following the curve of the orange and remove all the pith. Slice one end of each orange and impale the slice onto the orange with a fork. Cut through each membrane to remove the segments. Put into a bowl large enough to hold all the fruit.

2. Core and dice the pears and apples and add to the orange segments. Add the sliced bananas and sprinkle the fruit with lemon juice to keep them from darkening.

3. Mix together the crème fraiche or sour cream, orange and lemon juice; pour over the fruits and carefully toss to mix. Transfer to an attractive serving bowl. Mix together the raisins and walnuts and sprinkle over the top of the salad.

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Restaurant Review: Copa

By Stacy Dermont

I met my friends Dee and Cath at Copa in Bridgehampton for tapas and laughs. (If your friends don't have nicknames, are they really your friends?) I knew I was in the company of professional drinkers, but these girls can EAT too! "Anything goes" with tapas – it's not a particular type of food, anything can be tapas. As long as it is small and served with drinks. You can eat at Copa's big central bar if you like.

I didn't find the servings at Copa at all tiny and, though much was authentically Spanish, the dishes were not terribly spicy.

I signed on for some sangria, which begged the question from our server Nadine, "A pitcher?" Tempting but Dee went with a Spanish red wine, Borsao, Berola, which she defined as "delicious." Cath also sampled a Fall/Winter sangria. I was a little reluctant toward the "cinnamon and spice" – but it works, it's refreshing and delish with bits of green apple, not over sweet. Michelle, Copa's Bar Manager, dreams up all kinds of fun cocktails year-round. Of course they have beers on draft. It's so nice to visit this restaurant when it's not stuffed with hot bodies. Eh, well, the summer's not bad either.

K. Laffey

Manager Fred Shafi started us off with Chicken and Potato Empanadas with Garden Salsa. Warm and easy to share in their neat little packages. Dee said we had to have some of the meatballs, in their sherry cream sauce with manchego cheese melted on top. Oh my. Chef Phil Rendel suggested his Curried Mussels – who would say no to those? Steamed mussels in a curried cream sauce with cilantro, shallots and white wine. This past summer was Rendel's first in the Hamptons. He's an upislander who says he loves it out here.

The Spanish music was a really fun touch. Fred called it simply "Madrid."

Fred's friendly face may look familiar to you as he used to manage Madame Tong's in Southampton, or perhaps you go back to his days at Tavern on the Green. It's all good, his charm and warmth well complement the space. Copa is sizeable but very cozy with natural wood everywhere; we happily sank into the comfy red banquette in the back. Fred told me the most popular item right now is the cheese plate. In can see that. It changes daily…and there's a Fish of the Day.

Ooh and we had smooth hummus on flat bread. Then silent and swift Nadine brought us a tasty Chopped Salad of greens, fennel, olives, peppers, caper berries and fresh feta. Most of the flavor was derived from the olives. On to tender slices of Hanger Steak with freshly seasoned herb fries and chimichurri sauce…I think I've lost track of the order of our feast – there was also bubbling-hot Oven Roasted Cod in tomato broth with lemon and garlic and chunks of potato. Tender and tasty cod – this is why cod is a favorite fish in many countries. Copa also does a Cod Fish & Chips. We tried the Zucchini Croquettes, which were light and hot, seasoned with chives, thyme, salt and pepper. The Chorizo and Clams beckoned and we demolished them.

Copa has quite the wine list, with FORTY wines available by the glass and over 200 by the bottle. "Locals" include Sherwood House, Raphael, Wolffer, Grapes of Roth and Bouke. I tried the North Fork's Bouke rosé. I found it mild, drinkable and well-chilled, thanks Michelle! A beautiful color, served in a glass as big as my appetite.

For dessert we enjoyed a rich Chocolate Fondue with cashew-crusted banana, brownie chunks and slices of Granny Smith apple to dip. This would be perfect for a valentine…And the Crepe Suzette flavored with Grand Marnier and fresh orange juice was bright and rich in a buttery way.

Owner Chris Boudouris chooses all the wines. He owns that big wine store, McNamara Wines & Spirits, in Bridgehampton Commons just up the way, so he knows from wine and spirits.

With so many "tastes" we didn't have room to sample the Paella – we'll have to go back for that.

For Copa's Ladies Night specials, details on live music and more see Dan's Papers Dining Out Guide on page 31 or visit www.copawineandtapas.com. Copa, 95 School Street, Bridgehampton. 631-613-6469.

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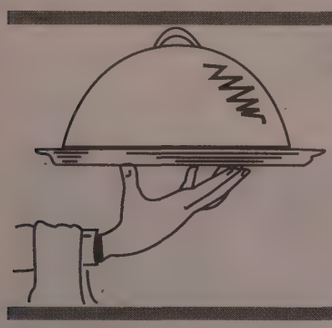

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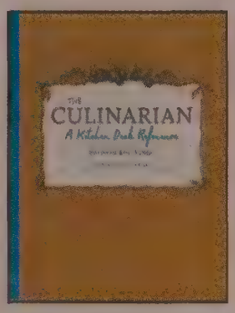

By Stacy Dermont

The Culinarian, A Kitchen Desk Reference by Barbara Ann Kipfer with illustrations by her son Kyle Kipfer came out late last year. Get this book! It's encyclopedic and, given that it's written by a lexicographer, it's all well-researched and expertly detailed.

I'm only on page 121 but I've learned more about food than I've gathered in the past couple of years from other sources.

Here are just a couple samples of things from the book that may help you in your daily life in the Hamptons: from page viii, "NATURAL FLAVORING...includes ingredients like hydrolyzed protein and HVP, both of which contain MSG." or how about this nugget from page 116, "CHILE ESSENTIALS...The capsaicin that causes the heat in chiles is not water soluble, so water does not relieve the pain. Milk with its butterfat, ice cream, or starches such as rice or potatoes are best at relieving the burn pain. Beer and wine will not cool the mouth either. In fact, they will have just the opposite effect, for alcohol increases the absorption of capsaicin. Rice and tortillas absorb chile oils from the mouth, while sour cream, yogurt, and milk neutralize chile oils and cool the burn."

Of course the 616 pages are not just about eating – there are also tons of baking and cooking tips. So much no-nonsense, science-based advice it'll make you say, "Hmmm." Though more than once I caught myself saying, "Yum!" as I read this book.

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ART COMMENTARY
by Marion W. Weiss

ART FAR FROM THE HAMPTONS
Part 2: Isla Mujeres, Mexico

A lot of people go to Florida in the winter, but Mexico, especially the Maya Riveria, is becoming popular as well. (When this critic first started going 15 years ago, it was simply known as the Yucatan.) It wasn't fancy or posh, just the spectacular blue waters of the Caribbean. And art. Not fancy, posh, popular or even contemporary. Just the Mayan ruins of Tulum and Akumal, among others. A recent three week trip to the area proved that the ruins remain permanent and archetypical while places like Cancun and even Isla Mujeres, a small nearby island, become more commercial where art and artists are few and far between.

Yet there is art. Consider this: in Cancun, at one high-end resort, the paintings and décor are strictly Americanized; no examples of Mexican furniture, crafts, tapestries or paintings featuring local scenes exist. The hotel's architecture is another matter, where the buildings try and imitate Mayan design. At least there is recognition of Mexico's great historical traditions.

According to this critic, however, this really isn't art. True art is found in Isla Mujeres, where visual imagery is part of daily life: notably, murals decorating the local elementary school and a small hotel; abstract tattoos also decorating people's bodies. But one display was most unusual, worn by a young man visiting his family but who lived in Spain, Julian Zaragoza. It pictured a young Muslim woman covered with a camera and various technological devices. The message: getting the message out about the Muslim cause. It was precise, striking and definitely political.

A local hotel in Isla Mujeres featured indigenous art celebrating nature that Mayan tradition values. Hotel Francis Arlene, a family-run business with colonial-looking architecture, is a simple but comfortable place with small, understated glass mosaics of herons in the lobby. A painting in one room replicated a Gauguin-like Tahitian scene. The courtyard, landscaped with palm trees by the owner's son, Jerry Magana, was art as well, again suggesting the beauty of nature.

A restaurant in the center of town, Olivia, also had a hand-made courtyard, designed by its Israeli owners. It suggested an oasis of sorts, reminiscent of the Yucatan jungle before the area became developed.

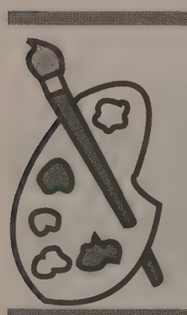
Another hotel, Playa la Media Luna, also showed a penchant for nature with its curtain of shells gently swinging in the wind and the domination of thatched roofing incorporated into the exterior design. Wicker furniture on the patio and in the breakfast room also set the tone for natural materials. A striking Medusa-like head above the front desk, made of branches and roots, represented an archetypical figure that used natural material as well. A painting on the lobby ceiling was more exotic with colorful, festive butterflies and a tiger.

Ingrid Everson

Hotel Francis Arlene courtyard

Nature is brought inside with these delightful examples.

Contact the following places on their websites: Francis Arlene Hotel (www.Francisarlene.com); Olivia Restaurant (www.Olivia-isla-mujeres.com); Playa la Media Luna (www.playamedialuna.com)



HONORING THE ARTIST
by Marion W. Weiss

Cover artist Pamela Topham has always been a passionate person – about family, life and her art work. But recently she has experienced a unique kind of passion that has inspired her in new and different ways. Such motivation has come from a trip to the Czech Republic on behalf of the Milkwood International Artists' Residence. One result was her discovery of a new creative tool, namely a "Photo Journal" where photography has taken on a salient meaning and added to her well-known tapestry and drawing skills.

Topham's photographs of her trip, particularly, are striking in their sense of place, capturing both the past and the fantasy-like fairytale ambience of Prague and South Bohemia. An example is her picture of bridges in Prague recalling a beautiful abstract design and conveying a mysterious atmosphere.

Yet Topham's drawings from her trip are also special, especially the pen and ink ones featuring a town in South Bohemia where the houses are slightly off-balance. This style enhances the scene, imbuing it with a fairy tale demeanor as well.

Q: Your cover tapestry, "The Winter Light, Accabonac Harbor," continues your signature style of establishing a special time and place, like your photographs and drawings of the Czech Republic. How did the cover image come about?

A: It's part of my Sagaponack series. Several years ago, a friend of Andy Sabin's commissioned me to do a work of his view. I took photographs and spent time doing a drawing. What evolved from that was a tapestry about 30 inches by 45 inches. I did other works based on that same view, like monotypes and one other tapestry.

Q: What are you doing now, tapestry-wise?

A: I am working on the fourth of the Sagaponack series, White's Farm on lower Sag Main.

Q: Your trip to the Czech Republic was really important to you and gave you the chance to capture the landscape like you do in this area and elsewhere in the states.

A: The residency was in a 13th century town in South Bohemia and is a UNESCO heritage site. It had a beer factory, and I loved the beer. I thought beer was only to drink after you mowed the lawn in July.

Q: (laughing) I thought you only liked wine, considering you work for Wolffer Estate Vineyard. Anyway, you had a lovely time in Bohemia. What were some highlights, personally and professionally?

A: The Milkwood International Artists' Residency gave me a studio apartment to stay in which was wonderful. My brother, whom I saw in Switzerland before I went to the Czech Republic, gave me a Canon camera small enough to hang around my neck. I wore it the whole day, and it changed things. I did pencil sketches and took a bunch of photographs and then a final drawing from the information I gathered. I used the camera for an information resource. I call the images a "Photo Journal."

Q: How is that particularly important?

A: It started me in a different direction. Even though the images are for information, they are beautiful in themselves.

Q: So how has the trip changed other things?

A: I am thinking about going back to Bohemia in 2013. I feel I should follow through with the passion I now have for my "Photo Journal." The residency was a new awakening. I am thinking about it, missing it.

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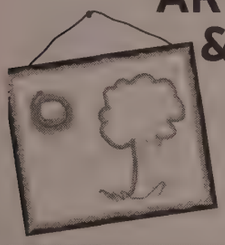
ART OPENINGS & GALLERIES



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OPENINGS AND EVENTS

DODDS AND EDER - In Spring/Summer 2012 Dodds & Eder will be unveiling a new Sculpture Garden on the grounds of its Sag Harbor location at 11 Bridge Street. Sculptors seeking exhibition opportunities are encouraged to contact Stacy Pinero for application guidelines. Stacy Pinero, stacyp@doddsandeder.com. Dodds and Eder, 11 Bridge Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-1175.

7TH ANNUAL LOVE AND PASSION 'SEX DRUGS AND RO'N'ROLL' – February 11, opening reception, 5 to 8 p.m. at Ashawagh Hall in Easthampton. Music by Alfredo Merat, 50/50 raffle, 'Rock my Heart Poetry', takes place on February 12. Free to the public. 60 plus artists will be featured. Produced by Teri Kennedy. 780 Springs Fireplace Road, East Hampton.

BIDEAWEE ART EXPO - Children are encouraged to display their love for animals during Bideawee's "Love Your Pet Art Contest and Expo." Students in grades K-8th can submit their artwork to the Adoption Center at Bideawee in Westhampton now through February 5, 2012. Art entries can represent any medium including drawings, photos, paintings, sculpture, and finger painting, and must be accompanied by the Bideawee Art Expo submission form, which can be downloaded at bideawee.org.

THE TONIC ARTSPACE - The Tonic Artspace, hosted by the Kathryn Markel Fine Arts Gallery 2418 Main Street Bridgehampton has announced the second exhibition for their pop up gallery. Event is Saturday evening, February 4th 2012 from 6 – 10 p.m. 631-903-3246.

CALL FOR ARTISTS - The East End Arts Gallery has announced an open call for artist participation in the upcoming juried, all media art show, the theme of which is music, at the East End Arts' Gallery. The call is open to all artists, to submit work inspired by music. The guest juror for this show will be Terrie Sultan, Executive Director of the Parrish Art Museum. The show will run from the opening on Friday, March 2 through February 24, 2012. The East End Arts' Gallery is located at 133 East Main Street in Riverhead. 631-727-0900 or gallery@eastendarts.org.

NAOMI CAMBELL – Small works in oil. On view through March 5th at the South Street Gallery located at 18 South Street in Greenport. 631-477-0021.

ROSALIE DIMON GALLERY - East End Arts has announced a new art show at the Rosalie Dimon Gallery, at the Jamesport Manor Inn (located at 370 Manor Lane in Jamesport.) The exhibit features East End Arts members: Painter Bryan Gutman and Photographer Howard Stevens. The show opens on Friday, February 3 and will be up for viewing until May 2, 2012. A reception will be held on Sunday, March 4 from 3PM to 5PM at the Rosalie Dimon Gallery, where the public will have the opportunity to meet the artists. Local wines and artisan cheeses will be served. The public is welcome to this free event. 631-727-0900.

GALLERIES

AMG-Amagansett; BH-Bridgehampton; BP-Bellport; EH-East Hampton; EP-Eastport; GP-Greenport; HB-Hampton Bays; JP-Jamesport; MV-Manorville; MTK-Montauk; NO-Noyac; NY-New York; OP-Orient; PC-Peconic; Q-Quogue; RB-Remsenberg; RVHD-Riverhead; SGH-Sag Harbor; SGK-Sagaponack; SH-Southampton; SHD-Southold; SI-Shelter Island; SPG-Springs; WM-Water Mill; WH-Westhampton; WHB-Westhampton Beach; WR-Wading River; WS-Wainscott

ANN MEDONIA ANTIQUES – 36 Jobs Ln., SH. 631-283-1878.

ARTHUR T. KALAHER FINE ART – 28E Jobs Ln. SH. 631-204-0383, arthurtkalaher@gmail.com.

ASHAWAGH HALL – 780 Springs Fireplace Rd., EH. 631-324-5671. www.ashawagh-hall.org.

BOCK ART LIMITED GALLERY – Works by Charles Bock, 16 Hill St., SH. 631-287-1078, www.bockartlimited.com.

CHRYSALIS GALLERY ARTISTS EXHIBITION – Open Mondays & Thursdays from 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Fridays & Saturdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m.-5 p.m. 2 Main Street, Southampton, 631-287-1883 www.chrysalisgallery.com.

CHUCK SEAMAN FISH PRINTING – 27B Gardner's Lane, HB. 631-338-7977.

EAST END ARTS COUNCIL GALLERY – 133 East Main St., RVHD. 631-727-0900, www.eastendarts.org. (See listing above.)

EAST HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY – The Claus Hoie Gallery of Whaling, East Hampton Town Marine Museum, East Hampton Historical Society, 301 Bluff Rd., EH. RSVP: 631-324-6850.

GUILD HALL – 158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806.

FOUR NORTH MAIN STREET GALLERY –Located at 4 N. Main Street Gallery, SH. 631-885-1289.

JILL LYNN & CO – 81 Jobs Ln., SH. Works by Joelle Nicole. www.jilllynnandco.com.

LUCILLE KHORNAK GALLERY – Portrait photography. 2400 Montauk Hwy., BH. 631-613-6000, www.theportraitspecialist.com.

MARK BORGHI FINE ART – 2426 Main St., BH. 631-537-7245, www.borghi.org.

MARK HUMPHREY GALLERY – 95 Main St., SH. 631-283-3113, www.markhumphreygallery.com.

PAILLETTS – 78 Main St., SGH. 631-899-4070.

PARASKEVAS – Works by Michael Paraskevas. By appt. 83 Main St., WHB. 631-287-1665.

PARRISH ART MUSEUM – 25 Jobs Ln., Southampton. 631-283-2118. Fridays at Noon, free admission to the museum and lecture, bring a bag lunch. www.parrishart.org.

RICHARD J. DEMATO FINE ARTS GALLERY – Featuring works by Kyla Zoe Rafert. 90 Main St., SGH. Open Thursday through Sunday, 11-6 p.m., Saturday to 9 p.m. 90 Main St., SGH. 631-725-1161.

ROSALIE DIMON GALLERY –The Jamesport Manor Inn, 320 Manor Lane, JP. 631-722-0500.

SILAS MARDER GALLERY, 120 Snake Hollow Road, BH. Open by appointment only. 631.702.2306 or info@silasmarder.com.

SOUTHAMPTON CULTURAL CENTER –Levitas Center for the Arts at the Southampton Cultural Center, 25 Pond Ln., SH. www.southamptonartists.org.

SOUTHAMPTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM – Rogers Mansion, 17 Meeting House Lane, Tuesdays-Saturdays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., $4 nonmembers. 631-283-2494. (See listing above.)

SOUTH STREET GALLERY – 18 South Street, Greenport. 631-477-0021.

THOMAS ARTHUR GALLERIES – 54 Montauk Hwy, AMG. 18th and 20th-century oil paintings and prints. New shows monthly. 631-324-9070, www.antiquesvalue.net.

TRAPANI FINE ART – 447 Plandome Road, Manhasset. Original representational oil paintings by nationally acclaimed artists. Full-service custom framing and limited edition prints. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. 516-365-6014, www.TrapaniFineArt.com.

TULLA BOOTH – Open Thurs.-Tues., 12:30-7 p.m. 631-725-3100, www.tullaboothgallery.com.

VERED – 68 Park Place, EH, 631-324-3303.

WATER MILL ATELIERS – 903 Montauk Hwy, WM. Lon Hamaekers: Photography, art and 20th-century antiques. 917-838-4548, www.lonhamaekers.1stdibs.com.

WATER MILL MUSEUM – Closed for the season. 41 Old Mill Rd., WM. 631-726-4625, www.watermillmuseum.org.

Send Gallery listings to david@danspapers.com before noon on Friday. Check out www.danshamptons.com for more listings and events.

MOVIES

Schedule for the week of Friday, February 3 to Thursday, February 9. Always call to confirm shows and times. Some are not available at press time.

UA EAST HAMPTON CINEMA 6 (+) (631-324-0448)
Big Miracle (NR) – Fri, 4, 7 Sat, 1, 4, 7, 9:50 Sun., 1, 4, 7 Mon-Thurs, 4, 7
Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close – Fri, 3;30, 6:30 Sat, 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30 Sun, 12:30, 3:30, 6:30 Mon-Thurs, 3:30, 6:30
Albert Nobbs (R) – Fri, 4:15, 7:15 Sat, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10 Sun, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15 Mon-Thurs, 4:15, 7:15
Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (R) – Fri, 3:40, 6:40 Sat, 12:40, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40 Sun, 12:40, 3:40, 6:40 Mon-Thurs, 3:40, 6:40
The Artist (PG13) – Fri., 4:30, 7:30 Sat, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:10 Sun., 1:30, 4:30, 7:30 Mon-Thurs, 4:30, 7:30
Hugo (PG) – Fri, 3:50, 9:45, Sat, 3:50, 9:45 Sun., 3:50 Mon-Thurs, 3:50
Hugo 3D (PG) – Fri, 6:50 Sat, 12:50, 6:50 Sun, 12:50, 6:50 Mon-Thurs, 6:50

SOUTHAMPTON 4 (631-287-2774)
The Grey (R) – Fri, 4, 7, 10 Sat, 1, 4, 7, 10 Sun, 1, 4, 7 Mon-Thurs, 4, 7
Man On A Ledge (PG13) – Fri., 4:30, 7:30, 10:30 Sat, 1:30 4:30 7:30 10:30 Sun., 1:30, 4:30, 7:30 Mon-Thurs, 4:30, 7:30
The Iron Lady (PG13) – Fri., 3:45, 6:45, 9:45 Sat, 12:45 3:45 6:45 9:45 Sun., 12:45, 3:45, 6:45 Mon-Thurs, 3:45, 6:45
The Descendants (R) – Fri., 3:30, 7:15, 10:15 Sat, 12:30 3:30 7:15 10:15 Sun, 12:30 3:30 7:15 Mon-Thurs, 3:30 7:15

SAG HARBOR CINEMA (+) (631-725-0010)
Closed Tuesday and Wednesday
A Dangerous Method– Fri, Mon, Thurs, 6 Sat, Sun, 6:35
Carnage – Sat, Sun, 5
In The Land Of Blood And Honey – Fri, Mon, Thurs, 8 Sat, Sun, 8:30

UA HAMPTON BAYS 5 (+) (631-728-8251)
One For The Money (PG13) – Fri., 4:20 7:20 10:05 Sat, 1:20 4:20 7:20 10:05 Sun, 1:20 4:20 7:20 Mon-Thurs, 4:20 7:20
Red Tails (PG13) - Fri, 4, 7, 9:50 Sat, 1, 4, 7, 9:50 Sun, 1, 4, 7, Mon-Thur, 4, 7
The Woman In Black (R) - Fri., 4:10, 7:10, 9:55 Sat, 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55 Sun, 1:10, 4:10, 7:10 Mon-Thurs, 4:10, 7:10
Underworld (R) - Fri, 4:30, 7:30, 10 Sat, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10 Sun, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30 Mon-Thurs, 4:30, 7:30
Chronicles (PG13) - Fri, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10 Sat, 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10 Sun, 1:40, 4:40, 7:40 Mon-Thurs, 4:40, 7:40

MATTITUCK CINEMAS (631-298-SHOW)
The Grey (R)
Big Miracle (PG)
Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close (PG13)
Man On A Ledge (PG13)
Women In Black (PG13)
Iron Lady (PG13)
Chronicle (PG13)
One For The Money (PG13)

HAMPTON ARTS (WESTHAMPTON BEACH) (+) (631-288-2600)
Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close (PG13) – Fri, 5:30, 8, Sat, Sun, 3, 5:30, 8, Mon-Thurs, 7
The Artist (PG13) – Fri, 6, 8:15, Sat, Sun, 3:30, 6, 8:15, Mon-Thurs, 7
Enter Nowhere (R) – Wed, 9

THE MONTAUK MOVIE (631-668-2393)
Closed for the season.

The sign (+) when following the name of a theater indicates that a show has an infrared assistive listening device. Please confirm with the theater before arriving to make sure they are available.

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UPCOMING

SAG HARBOR'S HARBORFROST – 2/11, noon - 6 p.m. Jazz by Peter Weiss Trio at BookHampton, noon; Singer-songwriter Robert Bruey at Sylvester's, 12:30 p.m.; Singer-songwriter Harley Lancia at Life'Style, 1 p.m.; World Beat by Alfredo Merat at Grenning Gallery, 1:30 p.m.; American Songbook from Vanessa Trouble Quartet, BookHampton, 2 p.m.; Fear No Ice funhouse at Long Wharf, 3 p.m.; The Frosty Plunge off the village beach, 3:30 p.m.; Fear No Ice play fames at the Civil War monument, 4 p.m.; The Fiery Sensations at Long Wharf, 5:45 p.m.; Fear No Ice hot surprise at Long Wharf, 6 p.m.; Fireworks by Grucci, 6:15 p.m. www.sagharborchamber.com.

PUPPY LOVE PRANCE – 2/11, 6:30 p.m., Southampton Inn, 91 Hill Street, SH. Square dancing, full buffet, to benefit Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation. 631-728-7387 ext. 239, www.southamptonanimalshelter.com. $50..

VALENTINE'S DANCE – 2/11, 7-11 p.m. 230 Elm Street, SH. 283-2494. Celebrate "Valentine Weekend" by coming to a dance party. Enjoy a generous buffet supper, chocolate fountain and cash bar. Proceeds benefit the Southampton Historical Museum. Cocktail attire a must. $50 in advance, $60 at the door, $400 book of 10.

MARDI GRAS BALL – 2/18, 8:30 p.m. Bay Street Theatre, 1 Bay Street, SGH. Featuring Gere Casey and The Lonesharks, *Dan's Papers* Best of the Best bands. 631-725-9500, www.baystreet.org.$30 in advance, $40 at the door.

MARDI GRAS PARTY – 2/21, 6-9 p.m., Buoy One, 62 Montauk Highway, WHB. Live music, New Orleans buffet dinner, cash bar. Hosted by the Southampton Town Democratic Committee & Club. RSVP by 2/15. 631-237-4821, www.shdems.org. $35 in advance, $40 at the door.

RED DRESS DINNER – 3/9, 7-11 p.m., Hyatt Hotel, 451 East Main Street, Riverhead. All women are invited to attend the event to raise awareness of the risk of heart disease. Red attire required. 516-450-9121, www.heart.org. $75 in advance, $85 at the door.

HAMPTONS RESTAURANT WEEK – 3/18-3/25, All participating restaurants offer a three course prix fixe for $19.95 and/or $24.95. www.hamptonsrestaurantweek.com.

THURSDAY, 2

SWIMSUIT SHOW – 7-10 p.m. Southampton Publick House, 40 Bowden Square, SH. Benefits Time for Teens, Inc., a non for profit that helps teenagers heal after a major loss. Featuring East End performer Nancy Atlas. 631-283-2800, www.publick.com. $50.

FRIDAY,3

LIVE MUSIC – Copa, 95 School Street, BH. every Friday night, 631-613-6469.

CANDLELIGHT FRIDAYS AT WOLFFER – 5-8 p.m. Wölffer Estate Vineyard, 139 Sagg Rd., SGK. Tomas Rodriguez performs on guitar. 631-537-5106, www.wolffer.com.

GROOVE GUMBO SUPER BAND – 7-9:30 p.m. Agave Mexican Bar and Restaurant, 1970 Montauk Hwy., BH. Every Friday night, 631-237-1334, www.agavehamptons.com. $5.

THE PICTURE SHOW PRESENTS DAVID COPPERFIELD – 8 p.m. Bay Street Theatre, 1 Bay Street, SGH. 631-725-9500, www.baystreet.org. $5, $28 for dinner and a movie package contact Page at 63 Main at 631-725-1810 or Phao at 631-725-1774.

SATURDAY, 4

SOUTHAMPTON TRAILS TUCKAHOE HILL AND SWAMP HIKE – 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Meet on Sebonac Road (east of N. Mageee St.), SH. Hike the Kurt Billing Trail with amazing water views, then visit The Swamp. Hilly, moderately paced 5 mile hike. Marilyn Kirkbright, 631-726-7503.

FAIR FOOD MARKET – 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Bay Burger, 1742 Bridgehampton- Sag Harbor Turnpike, SGH. Veggies, preserves, prepared goods, Greeny's hot soups, handcrafted gifts, pasta.

GARDEN BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP – 11 a.m. Bridgehampton Community House, Montauk Highway, BH. Reviewers report on *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* by Barbara Kingsolver, *Adventures of a Gardener* by Peter Smithers, and *People with Dirty Hands* by Robin Chotzinoff. 631-537-2223, www.hahgarden.com. Free.

LOREEN ENRIGHT'S A CONCERT TO REMEMBER – 6 p.m. 4 North Main Street, SH. Musical reception featuring pianist/vocalist Loreen Enright and percussionist Tom Doncourt, hors d'oeurves by Boa Thai, photographs by Ann Fristoe Stewart. Proceeds benefit a scholarship fund for Sandcastle Music Production's Musical Theatre Workshop. 631-275-1851, sandcastlemusic@optonline.net. $25 suggested donation.

TRADITIONAL NEW ENGLAND BARN DANCE – 8 p.m. Water Mill Community House, Montauk Hwy. WM. Sponsored by the Long Island Traditional Music Association. 631-725-3103, www.LITMA.org. $14 Adults, $7 Students, Children up to 16 free with adult.

THE PICTURE SHOW PRESENTS OLIVER TWIST – 8 p.m. Bay Street Theatre, 1 Bay Street, SGH. 631-725-9500, www.baystreet.org. $5, $28 for dinner and a movie package contact Page at 63 Main at 631-725-1810 or Phao at 631-725-1774.

SUZANNE VEGA – 8 p.m. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main Street, WHB. Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org. $30-$50.

Suzanne Vega

By Kelly Laffey

Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Suzanne Vega takes the stage of the Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center for the first time on February 4 at 8 p.m.

"I'm really looking forward to it," Vega, who has a house in Amagansett, says of the show.

The performance will celebrate Vega's past and present musical compilations. Currently, she is in the midst of reinterpreting and re-recording her career works in four installments. Titled *The Close Up Series*, the albums feature stripped-down versions of her earlier tracks, including the hits "Luka," "Marlene on the Wall" and "Tom's Diner." Vega recently released the third disc, and the final album is expected to come out in May.

"It's minimal, but not entirely folksy," Vega says of the series. "There is still a great amount of production and there are some alternative elements."

The oldest of four children, Vega was constantly writing songs, as she liked to sing stories to her siblings. Though she originally set out on a path to become a dancer, she quickly changed to music when she realized that she was more enthralled with listening to the musicians.

"I realized that it was my fate to be in the music world, and not the dance world," Vega says of her chosen path, which has garnered her international acclaim for her unique voice and poetic songs.

Though she has promoted her music around the world, Vega always makes time to return to Amagansett. She first fell in love with Long Island in 1990 when she stayed at the American Hotel to see They Might Be Giants, an alternative rock group, perform.

"It's beautiful, quiet, off the beaten path," says Vega of Amagansett. "I've had spells where I write out here."

Tickets to Vega's Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center can be purchased online at www.whbpac.org.

PICK OF THE WEEK

Sunday, February 5
Beauty Brunch
John Dillon Salon
See listing below

SUNDAY, 5

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY – 6:30 p.m. The New York Giants take on the New England Patriots. Catch our preview on page 25.

SOUTHAMPTON TRAILS TROUT POND SURPRISE – 9 – 11:30 a.m. Meet at Trout Pond on Noyac Road, Noyac (across from Mill Road). Moderately paced 3-plus mile hike mostly on the Paumanok Path. There is a surprise! Tony Garro, 631-725-5861.

BEAUTY BRUNCH –11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. John Dillon Salon & Day Spa, 16 Hill Street, SH. Day of beauty with Anti-Aging Family wellness to promote beauty inside and out. Featuring light refreshments, vouchers to put toward salon services. 631-283-8383. www.johndillonsalon.com. Free.

ROOTS – 4-7 p.m., Upper Parish Hall of Christ Episcopal Church, East Union St., SGH. A three-part showing of the award-winning television series "Roots: Saga of An American Family." Also 2/12, 2/19, discussion on 2/26. 631-725-4711. Free

MONDAY, 6

JAZZ JAM AT THE PIZZA PLACE – 6-8 p.m., Mondays. The Pizza Place, 2123 Montauk Hwy, BH. Join us for an open jazz jam session featuring The Dennis Rafflelock Duo. Up-and-comers & old timers welcome! 631-537-7865.

TUESDAY, 7

WRITING ABOUT YOUR LIFE—5-7 p.m. Hampton Library, 2478 Main Street, BH. Discover your writing voice through reading and group discussion. Call to register. 537-0015. $50 for four sessions.

PUBLIC FORUM ON HARBOR HEIGHTS – 6 p.m. The Sag Harbor Village Planning Board will host a public forum on the re-development of the Harbor Heights gas station on 114 in order to gain information from residents and neighbors about what concerns them most. www.savesagharbor.com.

THURSDAY, 9

JAM SESSON AT PAGE 63 – 7-9 p.m., Thursdays. Page, 63 Main St., SGH. Prix fixe special. Come enjoy some great jazz. Bring your instrument if you want to jam. 631-725-1810. Nonmusicians $5.

LIVE MUSIC – 7-10 p.m. Muse Restaurant & Aquatic Lounge, 760 Montauk Hwy., WM. 631-726-2606, www.musehampton.com

FRIDAY, 10

LIVE MUSIC – Copa, 95 School Street, BH. every Friday night, 631-613-6469.

CANDLELIGHT FRIDAYS AT WOLFFER – 5-8 p.m. Wölffer Estate Vineyard, 139 Sagg Rd., SGK. 631-537-5106, www.wolffer.com.

STORY SLAM – 8 p.m., Goat on a Boat, 4 E. Union St., SGH. All are welcome to participate by putting their name in a hat. If your name is drawn, you have five minutes to tell your story. Winter in the Hamptons theme, exaggerations and tall tales welcome. Beer, wine and popcorn available. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org. $5 suggested donation.

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LETTERS

Re: WHO'S HERE: REV. ROBERT STUART
Dear Joan,
Wow, what can I say? Terrific. Great profile (I say modestly ;-) and fine writing. You pulled all that information together exceedingly well, it's coherent with a theme, and highly readable. I also appreciate the background work you did, as for example looking up information about DePauw, also U. of Wisconsin. I'm very pleased with what you've written, and thank you.
Thank you also to Stacy for putting you on to me.
I'm going to forward a comment from my clergy brother in England.
Robert Stuart
Springs

BRAVO
Dear Joan,
What an excellent article.
It's excellent in its concision. There can be so much sloppy journalism, but line after line everything was concisely and accurately reported. But well shaped, too, on the theme of a life that in retrospect at many points (as we already knew over the years) more than enough evidence to justify using the word, "providential."
Bruce
England

WHAT EXIT?
Dear Dan,
How interesting! I have spent lots of time on Tenerife and, in fact, have hiked to that village, I think. Was it on the rugged North, Roque Bermejo? Quite a rough walk from Chamorga (the end of the bus line.) I think that is the most remote place on the island. Very interesting story!
By the way, is it possible to get a clean digital image of the train pix?
Richard Brewster
Cutchogue

No, it was down south past Bachamar on the Southeast Coast. –DR

AND HE'S ONLY 77
Dear Dan,
The story behind the story is New Hampshire primary voters giving Ron Paul a strong second place showing makes the case libertarian Republican Texas Congress member Ron Paul is really the best GOP candidate for President. He is polling #1 with under 30, first time and independent voters. All three are critical in building a winning coalition in the November General Election.
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Sincerely,
Larry Penner
Great Neck

Paul is a breath of fresh air – and a hoot. –DR

FOOLED
Dear David Rattiner,
My wife, Mary and I, just purchased a home in Cutchogue. We love it and also enjoy reading all the local papers and magazines.
We always enjoy reading *Dan's Papers* and find it entertaining as well as informative. We enjoy reading the police blotter but do find one perplexing problem. Why is Old Man McGumbus aging so rapidly? In just two past December issues of Dan's, we find poor Old Man McGumbus aged four years in just one week (104 to 108 years).
This spring we both intend to help him locate the swamp monster before it terrorizes Shelter Island again.
Sincerely and Confused,
Bob and Mary Buoneto
Massapequa

—hahahaha. How about, "I asked him this morning about this. He told me, "All you damn hippies at Dan's Papers keep getting my age wrong, I'm a hell of a lot older than 108." –DLR

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LOCALITY SPEAKING...
Dear Dan,
A month or so ago, an article in *Dan's* suggested the North Fork was in need of a town name that had "Hampton" in it. Readers were asked to vote on possible changes for several towns.
As I read it, I was surprised Baiting Hollow hadn't been included – the Gateway to the North Fork Wine Country (Baiting Hollow Farm Vineyard).
What North Fork town name change could possibly compare with "Hampton Hollow"? Certainly not "Southholdhampton", "Jamesport Hampton", or "Aquehamptonbogue". And with such a prestigious name, "Hampton Hollow" would be a natural to attract people from the South Fork Hamptons – with sleek new Mercedes and Jags replacing old and rusting farm trucks and tractors.
Think about it.
Regards,
John Murray
Fox Hill, Baiting Hollow

How about Sleepy Hollow? –DR

email us

POLICE BLOTTER

Ninja Turtle-ette?
A woman from Calverton was arrested in Southampton after she was caught with being in possession of a metal knuckle knife, which is illegal in New York. The woman was caught with the knife after being pulled over for a traffic violation. For those that don't know, a metal knuckle knife is a knife that has a brass knuckle grip, and it comes in handy if you are planning on stabbing somebody to death and then mashing them in the face with brass knuckles for good measure.

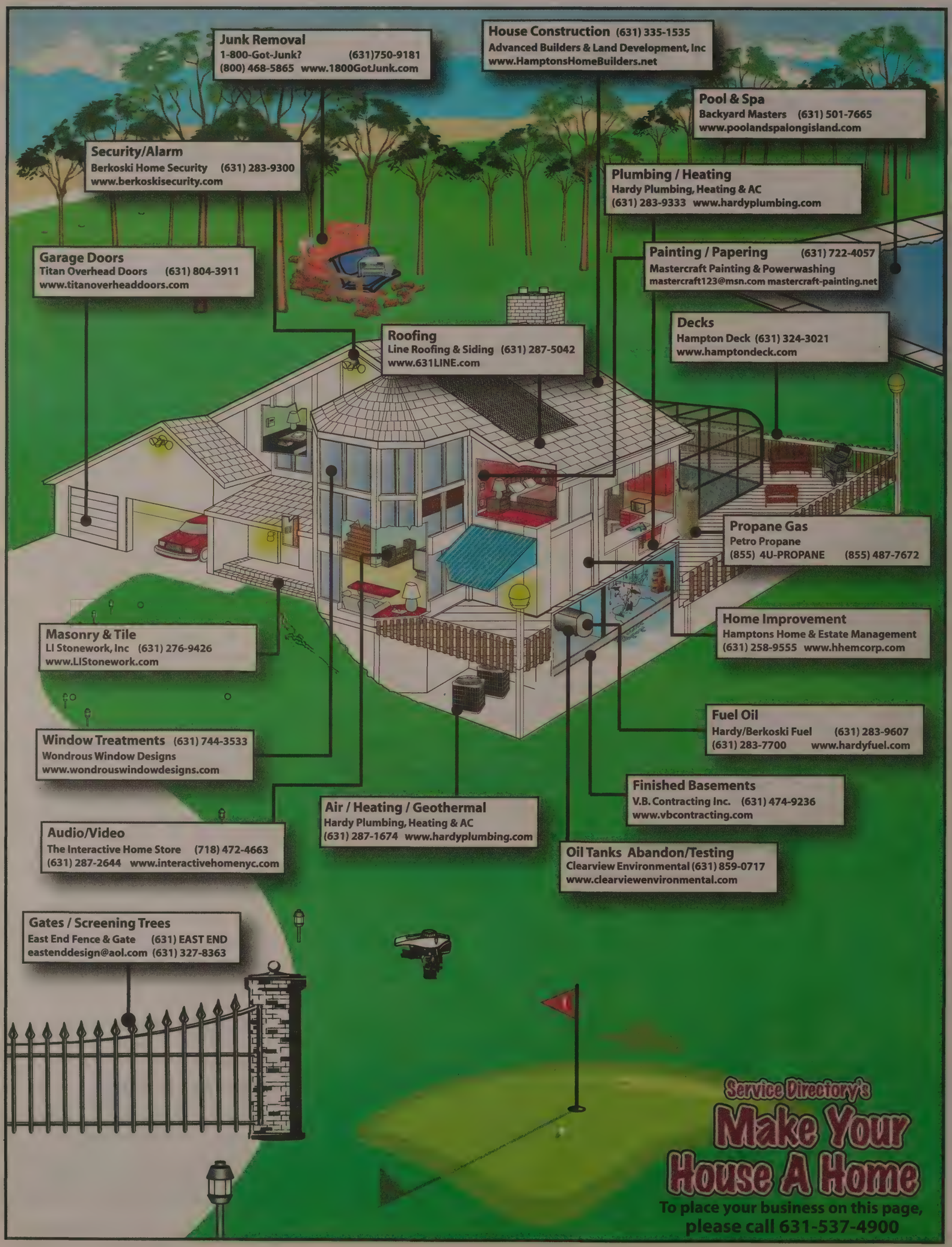
Didn't Have Permission
An 18-year-old girl in Sagaponack was charged after she was caught driving a car that she did not have permission to drive. The car was not hers. It did not indicate in the report if she had a really, really, really crabby relative, or if she was in fact, stealing a friend's car.

Shelter Island
The three-week-long Bikini Festival that takes place on Shelter Island every winter during the end of January and the beginning of February, got completely out of hand on Saturday. Old Man McGumbus, 107 years old and former World War II B-18 bomber pilot, is the President of the festival and was charged with operating a brothel inside of the Shelter Island Fishermen's Hall, which served as the headquarters of the Bikini Festival. McGumbus was arrested after he was caught providing "massage" services for Shelter Island visitors and residents. Seventy-nine women from Brazil, the Philippines, Thailand, Egypt, Germany, Romania, Russia and Poland were also arrested. While being arrested, McGumbus was also charged with illegal distribution of the product Viagra after the trunk of his 1974 Buick was found to have over 9,000 little blue pills. Also found in his car were nine empty bottles of Wild Turkey Bourbon, several hand guns and a working flame thrower, which McGumbus has permits for. The Bikini Festival will continue through next week on Shelter Island with the bikini parade taking place on Thursday and the bikini heated tent party taking place on Friday.

Burglar
A neighborhood burglar turned out to be, well, the neighbor down the street in East Hampton. A man was arrested after tripping an alarm inside of a house that he was stealing from. When he was arrested, it turned out that the man resided just two doors down from the home that he was robbing.

He'd Make A Good Dentist
A man in Westhampton was arrested after he punched a guy in the face and knocked his tooth out. The man was then found to be in possession of cocaine. He just missed his calling as a dentist, all he needs to do is get licenses and he can rip people's teeth out all day and serve them Novocain like hot cakes.

– David Lion Rattiner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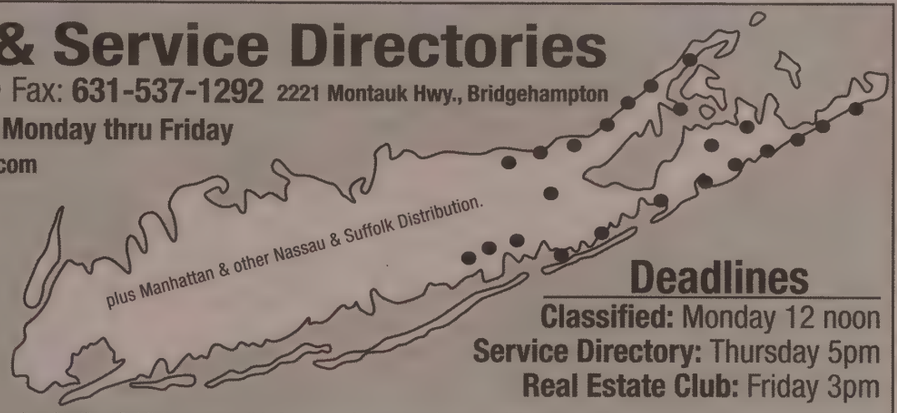

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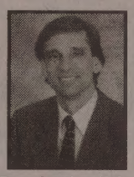

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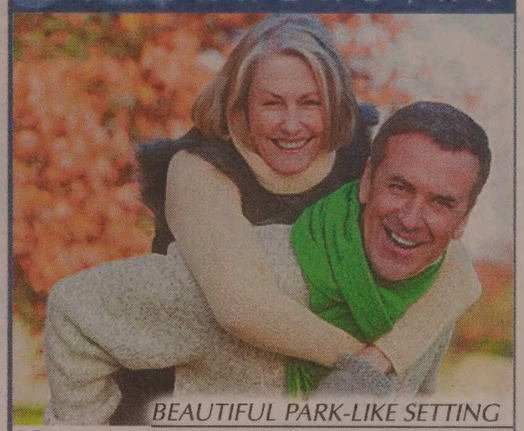

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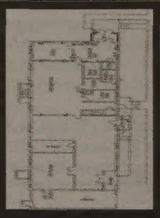

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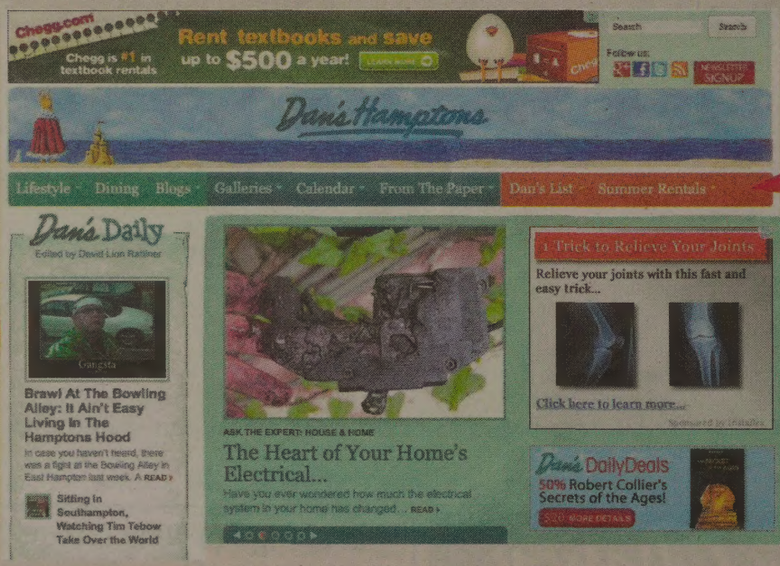

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